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The Wabash Plain Dealer's new office is now open on the second floor at 99 W. Canal St.

Tree-lighting ceremony Wednesday at Manchester University

Manchester University will host its annual tree-lighting ceremony on Wednesday, Nov. 20 in front of Petersime Chapel. The Manchester Junior High Choir will perform seasonal selections and carols at 6 p.m., with the lighting at 6:25 p.m. Santa Claus arrives at 6:30 p.m. There will be refreshments and photos with Santa inside Funderburg Library. This celebration is free and open to the public.

Salamonie Preschool 'Nature's Gift of Turkeys' event set

Preschool-age children and their adults are invited to Salamonie Preschool's "Nature's Gift of Turkeys" from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 at Salamonie Interpretive Center in Lost Bridge West State Recreation Area, 3691 New Holland Road. The program fee is \$2 per child. Advance registration is appreciated. Register by calling Upper Wabash Interpretive Services at 260-468-2127.

Common Ground Prayer Ministries plans Prayer Watch

From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20, Common Ground Prayer Ministries is planning a Prayer Watch Wednesday for Wabash Ministries. We are asking people to come in and pray for half-hour time slots in the prayer room. Focus this month is Friends In Service Here (FISH). You can contact anyone at the prayer room or Janet Shoue with FISH to let them know when you could come. At 10 a.m. every Tuesday, this is a Community Prayer, which is open to all. Contact any of our prayer captains with questions including Debbie Sweet

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City declares Wednesday 'Parkview Wabash Hospital Day'

Proclamation approved during last week's Wabash City Council meeting

BY ROB BURGESS
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Mayor Scott Long proclaimed Wednesday, Nov. 20 to be "Parkview Wabash Hospital Day," according to a press release.

The special day honors the hospital for its healthcare, employment, economic development, philanthropic and civic engagement contributions to the city and the surrounding area.

In response to a Plain Dealer request, Marilyn Custer-Mitchell, president of Parkview Wabash Hospital, stated they employ more than 200 people. Also, more than 100 other Parkview Health employees including physician office staff, EMS personnel, and staff in various administrative and support roles work at least part of the time at Parkview Wabash or other locations in the



PROVIDED PHOTO

HONORED: Marilyn Custer-Mitchell, president of Parkview Wabash Hospital, left, and Eric Schoening, Wabash City Council member, pose following the reading of Mayor Scott Long's proclamation of Nov. 20 as "Parkview Wabash Hospital Day" during last week's regular meeting.

county.

According to the official proclamation, which was read aloud in Wabash City Council chambers by Councilmember Eric Schoening last week, the hospital "has brought new technologies into the community to en-

hance patient care, contributes to economic stability as an employer of significant size, and enhances economic development as a community partner with the city of Wabash and other groups on efforts to attract and retain successful busi-

nesses and create a robust sense of community to encourage families to relocate here and young people raised here to remain."

Also, the proclamation specifically notes, "The

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'We're not gonna take it'



PHOTO BY GRACE HOOLEY / Wabash Plain Dealer

SEA: Thousands of teachers, parents, students and activists fill the lawn outside of the Indiana State Capitol Tuesday while advocating for improved public school funding and a stronger voice in the Indiana General Assembly.

Teachers ignite Red For Ed movement momentum at Capitol

BY ANDREW MACIEJEWSKI
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A sea of red enveloped the Indiana State Capitol Tuesday in hopes to bring change to education in Indiana.

More than 10,000 Hoosier teachers, parents, administrators, students and activists brought awareness to a lack of public education funding and issues that educators feel the Indiana General Assembly needs to fix during the upcoming legislative session.

Twisted Sister's hit song "We're Not Gonna Take It" blared across downtown Indianapolis as teachers held signs saying things like, "My future students deserve better," "Pay teachers what we deserve," "Teachers need more than apples," "Education is not a business," and "This is a test! Are you listening?"

While the movement called "Red For Ed" is not new, yesterday's demonstration brought more attention than past events because more than 100 school corporations were closed across the state after teachers used their per-

sonal days or lobbied their school boards to get Nov. 19 off.

Educators from Wabash County were present at the Statehouse Tuesday to let their voices be heard on the topic of teacher pay, public school funding, professional development requirements for teachers and a litany of issues facing rural public schools in Indiana.

As the crowd chanted, "You gave us no choice, you made us use our teacher voice," teachers on the steps of the Capitol Building used sign language to communicate with the hearing impaired people in the crowd.

The use of sign language at the rally fit in line with one of the calls to lawmakers, since educators want the state to provide more funding to special education services across the state.

Education professionals also want lawmakers to make good on Governor Eric Holcomb's promise to not hold schools accountable for their scores on the ISTEP replacement test called ILEARN. A major-

ity of schools in the state received below proficiency scores, according to the Indiana Department of Education, and test scores are used to assign school corporation grades, which in turn determine funding levels from the state.

"That's not a teacher issue, and that is not a student issue. That is a test issue," Scott Simpson, a teachers association president from Northern Indiana, said. "I've been taught that from day one of my education classes. If 50 percent of your students are not getting it, it's not the student's fault."

On that topic, teachers also want the state to adjust its formula for funding public education, especially since poverty affects the test scores and therefore funding of schools.

"It's pretty degrading to teachers because every year your evaluation is partially based on your student test scores," Simpson added. "There is no doubt that poverty has a direct correlation on test scores. It's been proven since the 1960s, and yet legislators refuse to ac-

knowledge that."

Another issue many schools across the state are facing is related to teacher pay. Rural communities are facing a teacher shortage, and schools are having trouble retaining teachers once they land them.

According to a study this year by Stand for Children Indiana, it would take a \$658 million investment to bring Indiana teacher salaries within the average of neighboring states.

Calls for funding also include aides, support staff and nurses. Students with disabilities and mental health issues need assistance as well, but according to Simpson, schools are not able to hire professional help that students need because they are not able to attract and retain employees for those positions.

Though many teachers expressed happiness with the turnout, the teachers said they will be looking at the Indiana General Assembly to make sure their voices are being heard.

Chronicle-Tribune reporter Grace Hooley contributed to this report.

WPD seeking applicants for probationary officer position

Vacancy created by recent officer resignation

BY ROB BURGESS
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The Wabash Police Department (WPD) is accepting applications for the position of probationary police officer starting through 4 p.m. Friday, December 13, according to Capt. Matt A. Benson, public information officer.

"We recently had an officer resign," stated Benson, in response to a Plain Dealer request as to the reason for the vacancy.

Applications, job description and agility test requirements may be picked up in person from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday at the WPD office, 340 Manchester Ave.

The benefits package for the position includes:

- Probationary salary of \$48,319.

- Career progression incentive pay, longevity and promotional opportunities through rank structure.

- Take-home car after two years residing within Wabash city limits.

- Comprehensive medical, dental and vision insurance.

- Life insurance.

- Paid vacation and sick leave.

Requirements for the position include:

- Under Indiana Code 36-8-4-7, a person may not be appointed as a member of the Wabash City Police Department after the person has reached 36 years of age.

- Under Indiana Code 36-1-20.2 (Nepotism), a person may not be appointed as a member of the Wabash City Police Department who is related to any officer of the department.

- Applicants must meet the residency requirements of Indiana Code 36-8-4-2.

"The city of Wabash is an equal opportunity employer," stated Benson.

U.S. official denies knowing Ukraine aid linked to Biden probe

BY COLLEEN LONG
and ERIC TUCKER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The former special envoy to Ukraine testified Tuesday he should have realized — as many of his colleagues did — that President Donald Trump was holding up military aid to Ukraine to pressure the country to investigate political rival Joe Biden.

In public testimony before the House impeachment inquiry, Kurt Volker said he understands now, thanks to hindsight and the testimony of other witnesses, that Trump was using the aid to pressure Ukraine to investigate Biden's son, Hunter, and his role on the board of a Ukrainian gas company, Burisma.

But Volker insisted he did

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Netanyahu celebrates U.S. settlement decision in West Bank

ALON SHVUT, West Bank (AP) — Israel’s prime minister traveled to the West Bank on Tuesday to celebrate the U.S.’s announcement that it does not consider Israeli settlements to violate international law. Benjamin Netanyahu called the Trump administration’s declaration, which stepped back from four decades of U.S. policy and reversed the policies of President Barack Obama, a “huge achievement” that “fixed a historic wrong.” “I think it is a great day for the state of Israel and an achievement that will remain for decades,” he said. Netanyahu spoke Tuesday at a gathering of ecstatic supporters and settler leaders in Alon Shvut, a settlement outside of Jerusalem. Israeli right-wing leaders welcomed Secretary of State Mike Pompeo’s an-

nouncement. Although it is largely symbolic, it fueled calls from settler supporters for increased construction or even the annexation of parts of the West Bank. The Palestinians, who claim the West Bank as part of a future state, condemned the decision. They and other countries said the move undercuts any chances of a broader peace deal. Over 400,000 settlers now live in the West Bank, in addition to more than 200,000 settlers in east Jerusalem, the Palestinian’s hoped-for capital. The Palestinians and the international community say that settlements are illegal and prevent the establishment of a Palestinian state. Israel says the fate of the settlements should be determined in negotiations. The head of the Arab League joined the large number of critics, con-

demning the Trump administration’s latest decision “in the strongest terms.” The league’s secretary-general, Ahmed Aboul Gheit, said the decision would result in “more violence and cruelty” against the Palestinians at the hands of the Israeli settlers and “undermines any possibility” of achieving peace. The White House says it has developed a Mideast peace plan, but it has not yet unveiled it. The Palestinians already have rejected the plan, accusing the U.S. of unfair bias in favor of Israel. The Trump administration has made a number of moves in favor of Israel, recognizing Jerusalem as Israel’s capital, recognizing Israel’s annexation of the Golan Heights and shuttering the Palestinian diplomatic offices in Washington.

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at 260-571-6072, Shirley Neele at 260-591-0047 or Angie Penix at 260-571-9809.

Banner contest awards and reception planned

The 16th Annual Wabash County Winter Banner Competition awards ceremony will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Honeywell Center’s Ford Theater. A reception in the main lobby will follow.

Wabash Steel Supply to open new store

The official grand opening for the new retail store will take place from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21, at its new location, 1945 S. Wabash St.

‘Johnny Got His Gun’ brings horror of war to Manchester

Manchester University will show the film at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21 in Corrier Auditorium, followed by a panel discussion.

Southwood choirs to present holiday concert

Southwood Junior-Senior High School choirs will present a concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 22 at St. Patrick’s Church in Lagro. The public is invited to attend. Donations will be gratefully accepted at the end of the concert to help preserve the church and to help fund the school’s music program.

Zay, Wolkins to host INDOT Indiana 24 project town hall

State Sen. Andy Zay, R-Huntington, will host a town hall meeting along with State Rep. Dave Wolkins, R-Warsaw, to discuss the update on the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Indiana 24 project from 8 to 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Honeywell Center’s Honeywell Room, 275 W. Market St.

Downtown businesses to extend hours on select dates

Participating shops will be open until 7 p.m. on the following dates: Nov. 23, 24, 29 and 30. Dec. 6, 7, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

Annual Living Gift Market set for Nov. 23

Celebrate Christmas at Heifer International’s 32nd Living Gift Market from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23 at Timbercrest Senior Living, 2201 East

St., North Manchester. For more information, email Jim Myer at jmyerwdw@yahoo.com.

Holidays to be welcomed with an annual open house

To mark the beginning of the holiday season, the Honeywell House will host its annual Holiday Open House from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24, at 720 N. Wabash St.

‘A Christmas Story’ to be shown at the Honeywell Center

“A Christmas Story” will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26 in the Honeywell Center’s Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Winter Banner Competition artwork displayed

The students’ artwork will hang in the Clark Gallery at the Honeywell Center through Sunday, Dec. 1.

‘It’s a Wonderful Life’ to be shown at the Honeywell Center

“It’s a Wonderful Life” will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3 in the Honeywell Center’s Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Woman’s Clubhouse plans evening Christmas dinner

Don’t forget the Christmas evening dinner Thursday, Dec. 5. It is the annual holiday fundraiser with a very special dinner and entertainment. The house will be decorated in an angel theme this year. Contact Carol McDonald by phone at 260-563-2331 or Mary Delauter at 260-563-6613 for more information.

Museum to host Family Fun Night

The Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St., will host a Family Fun Night on Friday, Dec. 6, featuring a visit from Santa Claus.

‘The Polar Express’ to be shown at the Honeywell Center

“The Polar Express” will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10 in the Honeywell Center’s Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

Christmas at the Museum Annual Banquet planned

On Wednesday, Dec. 11, the Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St., will be hosting Christmas at the Museum Annual Banquet.

‘White Christmas’ to be shown at the Honeywell Center

“White Christmas” will be shown at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17 in the Honeywell Center’s Ford Theater. The admission fee will be \$2 per person.

DivorceCare presents ‘Surviving the Holidays’ series






The DivorceCare support group, which meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Room 112 in the Wabash Friends Church, 3563 South State Road 13, will be offering a DVD series “Surviving the Holidays” through Tuesday, Dec. 17. Group leader and members of the group meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. at Subway, 1812 S. Wabash St., on State Road 15. For more information, call 260-563-8453, 877-350-1658 or group leader Janet Quillen at 260-571-5235; email office@wabashfriends.org; or visit www.divorcecare.org.

Breakfast with Santa planned

On Saturday, Dec. 21, Santa will be coming to Breakfast with Santa and will have a special treat for children at the Wabash County Historical Museum, 36 E. Market St.





Editor’s note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplaindealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

5-Day Weather Summary

 Wednesday Mostly Cloudy 48 / 40	 Thursday Rain Likely 53 / 36	 Friday Mostly Cloudy 38 / 29	 Saturday Rain & Snow Possible 37 / 31	 Sunday Partly Cloudy 40 / 34
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Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 5:26 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 7:41 a.m.

 New 11/26	 First 12/4	 Full 12/12	 Last 12/18
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Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature of 48°, humidity of 71%. South wind 1 to 7 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 70% chance of scattered rain, overnight low of 40°. South southeast wind 7 to 16 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 33°.

Persistent bruising after break could be hemosiderin staining

DEAR DOCTOR: How long should a bruise last? I broke my fibula nearly nine months ago, but I still have a yellowish discoloration on my shin, above the fracture. What could it be? My doctor is unconcerned.

DEAR READER: When you get a bruise, or contusion, it means that the small blood vessels beneath the skin are damaged and leaking blood. This can occur as the result of a physical injury, certain nutritional deficiencies or a medical condition, such as end-stage kidney disease, leukemia, bleeding disorders and some cancers. When blood seeps into the soft tissues beneath the skin, it causes the dark coloration that we recognize as a bruise.

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors



The fact that visible bruising persists nine months after you broke your leg, and isn’t associated with any other symptoms, is consistent with something known as hemosiderin staining. Hemosiderin is a byproduct of the breakdown of red blood cells, which contain iron. It’s a protein compound with a brownish-yellow color and acts as a storage system for the iron left behind by the damaged red blood cells. In hemosiderin staining, the compound accumulates beneath the skin and becomes visible. Trauma, such as breaking a bone, is among the potential causes of hemosiderin staining.

You mentioned in your letter that your physician doesn’t believe the persistent color on your shin is a symptom of anything seri-

ous. We think it would be a good idea to check whether he or she agrees that hemosiderin staining may indeed be the cause. If the answer is yes, and if the condition bothers you, you have several treatment options. Topical creams can reduce the degree of pigmentation, or lighten the color. If the goal is to minimize the discoloration as much as possible, you can explore laser therapy. As with tattoo removal, it may require multiple sessions to see results.

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MONDAY'S LOTTERIES

Cash 5
04-14-22-29-34
Estimated jackpot: \$278,000
Cash4Life
25-34-35-46-59, Cash Ball: 4
Daily Three-Midday
6-2-4, SB: 1
Daily Three-Evening
6-7-3, SB: 9
Daily Four-Midday
1-0-6-5, SB: 1
Daily Four-Evening
0-1-8-6, SB: 9
Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: \$192 million
Powerball
Estimated jackpot: \$80 million

TUESDAY'S METALS

Aluminum.....0.79
Copper.....2.62
Lead.....0.90
Zinc.....1.08
Gold.....1474.59
Silver.....17.16
Platinum.....910.12

AREA GRAIN

Estimated grain prices
Tuesday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: \$3.98.
Soybeans: \$8.86.

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Showtimes for Friday, November 15- Thursday, November 21

All showtimes have Closed Captioning available.

Charles Angels (PG13) Fri: 6:30, 9:55 Sat: 12:25, 3:50, 6:30, 9:55 Sun: 12:25, 3:10, 6:40, 9:20 Mon-Wed: 6:30	Frozen II (PG) Thurs: 6:30	Last Christmas (PG13) Fri: 6:50, 9:20 Sat: 12:55, 3:30, 6:50, 9:20 Sun: 12:55, 3:30, 6:50, 9:20 Mon-Wed: 6:50
Ford V Ferrari (PG13) Fri: 6:20, 9:30 Sat: 12:45, 3:40, 6:20, 9:30 Sun: 12:45, 3:40, 6:20 Mon-Wed: 6:20	Doctor Sleep (R) Fri: 6:40, 9:10 Sat: 12:35, 3:10, 6:40, 9:10 Sun: 12:35, 3:10, 6:40 Mon-Wed: 6:40	Playing with Fire (PG) Fri: 7:00, 9:40 Sat: 1:05, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40 Sun: 1:05, 4:00, 7:00 Mon-Wed: 7:00

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Arie Sue Hann
May 9, 1939 - Nov. 18, 2019

Arie Sue Hann, 80, of Wabash, Indiana, died at 8:51 am, Monday, Nov. 18, 2019 at her home. She was born May 9, 1939 in Water Gap, Kentucky to Henry and Bess (Hubbard) Sizemore.

Sue was a 1957 graduate of Prestonsburg High School. She married Terry D. Hann at the Peoria United Methodist Church on June 19, 1960. Sue worked and retired from United Technologies in Wabash and North Manchester. She was a member of Bachelor Creek Church of Christ. Sue enjoyed reading, spending time with her family, and was an avid Green Bay Packers fan.

She is survived by her husband, Terry D. Hann of Wabash, 4 children, Jeffery D. (Trish) Hann of Craw-



fordsville, Indiana, Allison (Ed) Ulshafer of LaFontaine, Indiana, Chris (Pamela) Hann of North Manchester, Indiana, and Lori Augustus of Wabash, 12 grandchildren, Nick Engels and Courtney Engels, both of Crawfordsville, Harmon Henry Hann of Darlington, Indiana, Amy (Jeff) Von

Arx of Fishers, Indiana, Seth (Brittany) Ulshafer of Bluffton, Indiana, Jeremiah Ulshafer of Wabash, Levi Ulshafer and India Pearl Ulshafer, both of LaFontaine, Sarah (Austin) Carrothers of Wilkesboro, North Carolina, Sam (Amanda) Hann of Wabash, Caleb (Hannah) Augustus of Kokomo, Indiana, and Noah Augustus of Wabash, 9 great-grandchildren, 5 sisters, Louise (Garreth) Rodman and Henrietta (Bob) Leonard, both of Wabash, Blanche Kilander and Dora (Bruce) Gable, both of South Whitley, Indiana, and Janet (Rod) Schilling of North Manchester, and her sister-in-law, Connie Sizemore of Anderson, Indiana. She was preceded in death by her parents, 2 brothers, William Sizemore and Jim Sizemore,

sister, Juanita Castle, and 2 great-grandchildren, Isaiah Ulshafer and Micah Carrothers.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019 at Bachelor Creek Church of Christ, 2147 N. State Road 15, Wabash, with David Stokes and Solomon David officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash. Friends may call 2 - 8 p.m. Friday, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, 1241 Manchester Ave., Wabash and 1 hour prior to the service Saturday at the church.

Preferred memorials are Mad Anthony Children's Hope House or Down Syndrome Association.

The memorial guest book for Sue may be signed at www.grandstaff-hentgen.com.

David Lee Shockey
July 31, 1952 - Nov. 14, 2019

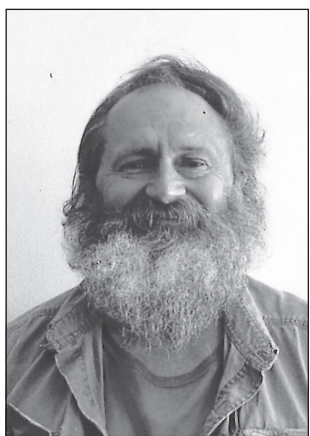
David Lee Shockey, 67, or Peru, Indiana was received into his eternal home on Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019.

David (Dave) was born in Wabash, Indiana on July 31, 1952 to Lila Sellers and David H. Shockey. He attended Lagro Elementary and graduated with honors from Wabash High School in 1970. Dave was an avid reader, especially about the history of Wabash County. He worked for Wabash Alloys and had always enjoyed busying himself with home improvements and landscaping for local senior citizens. In this way, Dave enjoyed "giving back" to those in need and was always ready to help an elderly neighbor which resulted in him having a number of elderly friends who came to trust and rely upon his help.

Dave was known for his boisterous exterior, but to those who knew him, Dave was a caring soul who was always willing to help someone in need. Never one to shy away from hard work, Dave was known not only for his physical strength, but the strength of character to meet the needs of others in need. His free time was spent in nature as he enjoyed gardening and caring for a variety of creatures.

Dave gave his life to Jesus Christ and was baptized by Pastor Mike Norton in the Wabash River in November of 1983. Despite many personal struggles, hardships and regrets, Dave was serious about his faith in Christ and was well acquainted with what being "saved by God's grace" truly meant.

Surviving loved ones include long-term companion Sandra Caddy and her son Mike Caddy, daughters Kassandra Walker (Peru) and Tracy Hubbard (Wabash), and son David Michael Shock-



ey (Peru). Also, grandson Shawn Michael Walker and granddaughter Kayla Walker (Peru).

Surviving siblings are: sister Pamela Kokta, brothers Anthony Shockey and Daniel Shockey. Also step-sisters Candace Hardrick and Tracy Sullivan.

David was preceded in death by his parents, his infant son David Lee Jr., and his brother Nick Shockey.

Also surviving are nephews Christopher Blair, Koi Shockey, Joseph Shockey, Sylvester Hardrick, Jeffrey Hardrick, Brandon Hardrick, and David Anthony Shockey. Surviving nieces include Alisa March, Rachael Eads, Nina Hardrick and Mikaela Sullivan.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019 at Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home, 105 West Third Street, Peru, Indiana. Funeral service will follow at 1 p.m., with Brother Alton Johns officiating. Burial will take place at Friends Cemetery in Wabash, Indiana.

Love offerings can be made to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Flowers-Leedy Funeral Home.

Family and friends may sign the online guestbook at www.FlowersLeedyAllen.com.

Roger L. Hauptert
Sept. 5, 1949 - Nov. 18, 2019

Roger L. Hauptert, 70, of Fort Wayne, passed away on Nov. 18, 2019. Born on Sept. 5, 1949, in Wabash, he was a son of the late Lorin and Mary (Harmon) Hauptert. Roger grew up in the Roann, Indiana area, and graduated from Northfield High School, in 1967. He attended, and graduated from Manchester College, where he met, and married his wife Mary. He worked in inventory control, purchasing, and information technology at VR Meyers, Trick Supply, Huntington Laboratories, the Association of Realtors, and retired in 2006, as the IT Manager at Coldwell



Banker Roth Wehrly Graber Realtors. He was a member of Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

He is survived by his wife

of over 49 years, Mary S (Herbster) Hauptert; children, Eric Hauptert (Kari), of Bluffton, Jane Moreno (Anthony), of Edgerton, Ohio, and Dean Hauptert (Ashley), of Fort Wayne, grandchildren, Joseph Hauptert, Riley (Madison) Hauptert, Jamie Moreno, Austin Moreno, Tanner Hauptert, Donovan Hauptert, Kamdyn Hauptert, and Tristan Hauptert; siblings, Tim (Kelly) Hauptert, of Wabash, Larry (Laura) Hauptert, of Fort Wayne, Roberta Hauptert, of Mt Dora, Florida, and Mary Lou (Clay) Watson, of Wabash. He was also preceded in death by his siblings, Mar-

lene Hauptert, Peggy Harrell, and Douglas Hauptert.

Memorial service will be 7 p.m., Monday, Nov. 25, at Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, 2939 County Road 15, Auburn, with calling one hour prior. Calling will also be held from 2 - 8 p.m., Sunday, November 24, at D.O. McComb and Sons Pine Valley Park Funeral Home, 1320 E Dupont Road, Fort Wayne.

Memorial donations may be given to the Manchester Fund, of Manchester University.

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Pending Services

Charles Bone: 80, died at 8:15 am Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2019 at his daughters home in Wabash. He is survived by his wife Janice. Services are pending at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash.

Warm ocean water delays sea ice for Alaska towns, wildlife

BY DAN JOLING
Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The U.S. research vessel Sikuliaq can break through ice as thick as 2.5 feet. In the Chukchi Sea northwest of Alaska this month, which should be brimming with floes, its limits likely won't be tested.

University of Washington researchers left Nome on Nov. 7 on the 261-foot ship, crossed through the Bering Strait and will record observations at multiple sites including Utqiavik, formerly Barrow, America's northernmost community. Sea ice is creeping toward the city from the east in the Beaufort Sea, but to find sea ice in the Chukchi, the Sikuliaq would have to head northwest for about 200 miles.

In the new reality of the U.S. Arctic, open water is the November norm for the Chukchi. Instead of thick, years-old ice, researchers are studying waves and how they may pummel the northern Alaska coastline.

"We're trying to understand what the new autumn looks like in the Arctic," said Jim Thomson, an oceanographer at the UW Applied Physics Laboratory.

Chukchi sea ice in early November was at its lowest level on record, said Rick Thoman, a climate expert at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' International Arctic Research Center and a former National Weather

Service forecaster.

Low ice is a problem for people of the coast. Communities north and south of the Bering Strait rely on near-shore ice to act as a natural sea wall, protecting land from erosion brought on by winter storms.

Sea ice is a platform from which to catch crab or cod in Nome, a transportation corridor between villages in Kotzebue Sound and a work station on which to butcher walrus near Gambell.

Sea ice is also one of the most important physical elements of the Chukchi and Bering seas. The cold, salty water underneath ice creates structure in the water column that separates Arctic species from commercially valuable fish such as Pacific cod and walleye pollock. When sea ice melts, it creates conditions important for the development of microorganisms at the base of the food web.

And then there's wildlife. Sea ice is the prime habitat for polar bears and the preferred location for dens where females give birth. Female walrus with young use sea ice as a resting platform and follow the ice edge south as it moves into the Bering Sea.

The formation of sea ice requires the ocean temperature to be about 28 degrees, the freezing point of saltwater. Historically, ice has formed in the northernmost waters and been moved by currents and wind into the southern Chukchi and Ber-

ing seas, where it cools the water, allowing even more ice to form, said Andy Mahoney, a sea ice physicist at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' Geophysical Institute.

Forecasters 20 years ago took it as a given that the water temperature would be cold enough to form sea ice.

"Even at the end of summer you couldn't get enough heat into the ocean to raise the water temperature significantly above freezing," Mahoney said. "So it didn't take much cooling to cool the ocean down to the freezing point."

Climate warming has brought a harsh new reality. High summer temperatures have warmed the entire water column in the Bering and Chukchi seas. Water temperature from the surface to the ocean bottom remain above normal, delaying ice formation.

"We've got a cold atmosphere. We've got a strong wind. You'd think we'd be forming ice, but there's just too much heat left in the ocean," Mahoney said.

The water potentially is warm enough to melt ice moving south from northern locations.

"I haven't seen any direct observations where ice has been transported into the Chukchi Sea and then melted," Mahoney said. "But the water temperature maps that I've seen, they're still significantly positive in Celsius. And you can't

grow ice, even if you bring ice in, if the water temperatures above freezing, that ice is ultimately going to experience melting from the water temperature."

Thomson and other scientists on the Sikuliaq will look at how the changes could affect coastlines, which already are eroding. Less ice and more open water translates to a significant threat. Ice acts as a smothering blanket, keeping down the size of waves. Open water increases fetch, the distance over which wave-generating winds blow.

"We know from other projects and other work that the waves are definitely on the increase in the Arctic," Thomson said.

That means even more erosion, the chance of winter flooding in villages and increased danger to hunters in small boats and longer distances for them to travel to find seals and walrus.

Forecasting sea ice is notoriously difficult but Thoman, the ex-weather forecaster, said he expects a less than robust year for sea ice.

"Maybe the horizontal extent conceivably gets up to normal, but it has to be extremely thin and it will be subject to rapid melting if we get into a stormy period in the winter or spring," Thoman said. "And even if that doesn't happen, because it's thinner, it means it's going to melt out sooner come next spring."

Rancher gets life in prison in beating death of his fiancée

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo. (AP) — A Colorado rancher was sentenced to life in prison without parole Monday shortly after a jury convicted him of beating his fiancée to death with a baseball bat and setting the woman's remains on fire to hide the evidence.

Patrick Frazee was convicted of first-degree murder and other charges after the jury deliberated four hours. Less than an hour later, a judge sentenced him to the life term, plus 156 years, the mandatory sentence after prosecutors previously decided not to seek the death penalty.

"Your actions were vicious, senseless, without reason or explanation," Judge Scott Sells told Frazee.

Prosecutors said Frazee, 33, killed Kelsey Berreth, a 29-year-old flight instructor and the mother of their 1-year-old, in her home. She was last seen with her infant daughter on a grocery store video on Thanksgiving Day 2018. Her body was never found.

Frazee showed no reaction to the verdict, while Berreth's family sobbed and hugged one another.

With little physical evidence, prosecutors relied heavily on the testimony of Krystal Lee, a former nurse who has known Frazee for over a decade, and the location of Frazee's and Berreth's cellphones in the days after she disappeared.

Lee, who lives in Hansen, Idaho, testified that Frazee

asked her to clean up the scene of the killing and that she watched him burn a plastic tote she believed contained Berreth's body.

Lee acknowledged she took Berreth's cellphone with her to Idaho at Frazee's request to try to deceive investigators about Berreth's whereabouts. She reached a plea deal with prosecutors for tampering with evidence and faking up to three years in prison.

Frazee's lawyers used the plea deal to question how honest Lee was about what happened since she initially told authorities she did not know who Berreth was.

Lee said Frazee tried to convince her to kill Berreth several times before he called to tell her that he had a mess at Berreth's home and he needed her to drive to Colorado to clean it up.

According to her account, Frazee covered Berreth's eyes with a sweater and asked her to smell some candles before he started beating her while the couple's 1-year-old daughter was in a storage room. Lee testified that Frazee said Berreth's last words were "Please stop."

Cheryl Berreth, Kelsey's mother, said in a letter to the court that Frazee tortured her daughter to death and left her young granddaughter to "call out for mama in the middle of the night."

"He not only killed our daughter - his child's mother - but he chose a horrible death for her," she said.

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Daily scripture

May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

2 Thessalonians 3:5

Bloomberg's reversal doesn't change the truth about stop-and-frisk

Ex-Mayor Mike Bloomberg's abrupt and unconvincing flip-flop on stop-and-frisk doesn't change the facts: This tactic is an essential of good policing, and the NYPD's use of it under Bloomberg was not remotely racist.

Bloomberg plainly figures he has no shot at the 2020 Democratic nomination without this reversal. Even so, he limited his mea culpa: "I didn't understand back then the full impact that stops were having on the black and Latino communities. I was totally focused on saving lives, but as we know: Good intentions aren't good enough."

Notice: He's apologizing for saving lives, simply because opponents of effective policing managed to sell a narrative about one tactic's supposed impact. In other words, he's confessing his failure as a politician to counter a political attack.

Critics argue that crime was going down before the NYPD went big on stop-and-frisk, and kept on going down after it massively cut back. But that skips a lot of relevant info.

For starters, we don't have hard data on stops before at least 2006, because the police only started recording stops obsessively once the City Council passed laws requiring it. And virtually every figure who denounced stop-and-frisk as racist had been making the same charge against

all New York crime control strategies from the day that Bill Bratton started cracking down on subway fare-beaters. (Heck, most of them still haven't changed their tune.)

Yes, it's clear that NYPD brass started pushing street cops to do more stops after Bloomberg and his police commissioner, Ray Kelly, took over on Jan. 1, 2002 — because they needed each beat cop to become more effective.

Why? This was right after 9/11, which forced the department to divert a huge share of resources to counterterrorism. And Bloomberg was nonetheless shrinking the size of the force — because 9/11 also slammed the city economy, and thus the city budget, and he was drastically boosting spending on the public schools.

Today's NYPD makes very few stops — but it also has a lot more cops on the beat than Ray Kelly ever did. And those cops are also far better supported. Bank settlements out after the 2008 mortgage meltdown have handed billions of dollars to Manhattan DA Cy Vance, who has passed much of it on to the NYPD to allow for much smarter, more precise policing.

Every officer today has far more data on who the bad guys are, and exactly what they look like. Other technology helps cops keep guns off

the street without having to frisk anyone merely on suspicion — and, even so, the NYPD is struggling to keep shootings down citywide.

As for "racist": Yes, police stopped far more black and Hispanic civilians than white or Asians ones — relative to their share of the overall city population. But not relative to their share of criminal suspects, as reported by crime victims (who are also disproportionately black and Latino).

Above all else, stop-and-frisk was about getting guns off the street. Shootings by blacks and Hispanics account for 98 percent of all city shootings.

Critics love to note that a federal judge ruled stop-and-frisk racist. They never mention that she literally refused to let the NYPD bring evidence about the racial breakdown of criminal suspects, or call experts to testify about those hard realities.

That egregious bias is why an appeals court tossed that judge off the case. But the factual record was never corrected because that's when Bill de Blasio took over as mayor — having won by exploiting the "stop-and-frisk is racist" narrative to win — and settled the case.

Politics and propaganda trumped policy then. And, with Bloomberg's craven flip, they've won yet again.

This editorial was first published in The New York Post.

Waiting for the pothole rebellion

My daddy he made whiskey, my granddaddy he did, too. We ain't paid no whiskey tax since 1792.

— From "Copper Kettle," a song by Frank Beddoe, 1946

In one of the first big tests of his presidency, George Washington was confronted with a rebellion in the heartland. Farmers in western Pennsylvania balked at paying a federal tax on distilled spirits enacted in 1791 so the new government could retire its revolutionary War debts.

Those spirits, especially whiskey, had been a source of livelihood for generations, and was even a medium of exchange in some areas. The farmers resented "taxation without local representation" (their emphasis), which they believed they had fought a war to end, and they were further offended that large distillers, most in the East, got what amounted to a huge tax break.

Participants in the Whiskey Rebellion quickly moved from protest to violence, whipping one tax collector and tarring and feathering another. Washington responded with a federalized militia force of nearly 13,000 men from four states, which required a draft that was also mightily resisted. Order was restored, and federal authority was firmly established.

I think of that bit of historical drama whenever I get discouraged that my lifelong exhortations against government overreach have been and likely will remain futile. At least it's not a new battle. It's been part of our fabric from the beginning.

The Founders feared more than anything a central government strong enough to be tyrannical, but they understood that the tendency of power is always to accumulate and concentrate. So they wrote a Constitution and designed a federal system designed to diffuse and disperse that authority as much as possible.

George Washington was there for the debates, so he knew this well and certainly appreciated it. Yet one of his first decisive acts was to flex federal muscle in support of a detested national tax complete with crony capitalism, and in a way that required involuntary servitude.

It was a gravid reminder of the seductive allure of power and the way it is wielded by those to whom we give a taste of it. It does not accumulate and concentrate just in Washington, D.C. It also prowls the corridors of state capitals and lurks in the corners of city halls. No matter how much we try to confine officials to the few things they should do, there is always a drift to the many things they want to do just because they can.

The mayor of my city has expended great amounts of time, energy and public money to remake downtown and herd us all together because it offends progressive sensibilities for people to exercise their freedom of movement to go to the suburbs. He's just been elected to another term and promises to explore energy alternatives and concentrate on "the arts." We can only hope that there will be a little attention paid to filling the potholes and hauling the garbage away.

The Indiana General Assembly has enacted a new law offering sales tax breaks for an unprecedented 50 years to any company committing at least \$750 million to build a data center in the state, something only giants like Apple, Facebook and Google could manage (thanks for the precedent, Mr. Washington). Never mind that data centers provide relatively low employment and are ripe for automation — the legislation doesn't require any job creation anyway. The tax break, unavailable to mom-and-pop stores struggling to break even, would be worth several hundred million dollars.

Alas, there has been no pothole rebellion. Citizens will apparently be happy to drive around them on the way to eat and play in the shiny new downtown. There will certainly be no sales-tax uprising. A data center, if it ever comes, will at least provide a few construction jobs, for a short while. All our attention will be focused on the presidential contest, in which a Big Government incumbent Republican will be taken on by a Democrat promising a Bigger Than Ever Government.

Power doesn't just accumulate and concentrate. It drifts away, slipping through the fingers of those who should hold on to it. It is said that we get the government we deserve. We certainly get the government we are willing to tolerate.

Leo Morris



Trump's firing offensive

As former U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine Marie Yovanovitch was testifying Friday at the congressional impeachment hearings, the tyrannical 2-year-old occupying the Oval Office busied himself on Twitter trying to smear her. Presumably, there are no grown-ups left to mind him.

There he was, the president of the United States, apparently watching the proceedings, and he couldn't bear being left out. He hurled insults at Yovanovitch in what House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff described as "witness intimidation in real time." Not only was this an outrage bordering on criminal, Trump's Twitter-tantrum conceivably could lead to an article of impeachment.

The president later defended his comments at a White House event on health care, saying, "I have the right to speak; I have freedom of speech just like other people do." Of course, he does, but there's a tiny difference between him and "other people." He's the most powerful person in the world and commands the largest military on the planet. He doesn't have to express every little thing. Someone should tell him.

This wasn't Trump's first time trying to bully -- and, yes, intimidate -- this highly respected public servant. Yovanovitch was an anti-corruption reformer in her role in war-torn Ukraine. But in May, for seemingly personal reasons, Trump fired her.

The president later expressed his low impression of Yovanovitch during a July 25 phone call with new Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky. The American

president told his counterpart that Yovanovitch was "bad news," that she caused problems everywhere she served, and that she would "go through some things."

"It sounded like a threat," Yovanovitch testified.

I'd say. Never mind the utter humiliation and disrespect. Or the implicit threat to others serving in the diplomatic service. Or the clear message to other interested parties, such as Russian President Vladimir Putin, that Trump will kneecap his own people when they fail to serve his personal agenda. Does Trump know nothing about diplomacy? Never mind.

Ironically, Yovanovitch had learned of her ouster from Ukraine while honoring a murdered Ukrainian anti-corruption activist. She was told that she should get on a plane home that very day, according to her testimony. Trump likes this sort of thing, too. Remember that when James Comey was removed as FBI director two years ago, he was giving a pep talk to employees in the Los Angeles field office as wall-mounted televisions behind him began to flash "Comey Resigns."

That Trump, what a prankster. Further to his own amusement, he apparently decided that Friday morning, right about when Yovanovitch's hearing began, was exactly the right time to release a rough transcript of his first call with Zelensky in April. Surely an attempt to deflect attention from the hearing, the maneuver backfired when a comparison of Trump's rough transcript and the White House's readout released immediately after the call revealed significant discrepancies, raising doubts about the veracity of both.

Trump's allies had maintained that Yovanovitch's removal from Ukraine was based on her alleg-

edly bad-mouthing the president and her failure to fight corruption. But the emerging picture based on recent revelations is that Trump and his attorney Rudy Giuliani considered her an obstacle to an investigation into former vice president Joe Biden and his son Hunter.

If, indeed, Yovanovitch had impeded a valid investigation, evidence of which isn't apparent, then perhaps Trump might have wanted to replace her. That's certainly his prerogative, as he tweeted Friday. The main issue at stake, however, is whether Trump offered a quid pro quo or attempted to extort or bribe Zelensky in exchange for dirt on Hunter Biden and his father, a potential opponent in next year's election. Whatever you call it, we now know that Trump did briefly freeze military funding to Ukraine and teased a White House visit in what appeared to be an exchange for information.

In her damning testimony last month during closed hearings Yovanovitch said her firing was engineered in part by Giuliani, along with Lev Parnas and Igor Fruman, who were arrested last month on campaign-finance violations just as they were about to board a plane with one-way tickets. She claimed that the trio was conspiring with corrupt, old-guard Ukrainians to get her replaced with someone who would be more favorable to their "business dealings" -- importing natural gas into Ukraine.

Plainly, Ukrainian natural gas is the stock to watch. For now, after the first two days of public hearings, it would seem that Trump and Giuliani are the bad news -- and maybe soon they'll be going through some things themselves.

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CollegeChoice 529 Savings surpass \$5B

Treasurer Mitchell touts potential to combat student debt

STAFF REPORT

Treasurer of State Kelly Mitchell announced Monday assets in the state’s tax-advantaged CollegeChoice 529 education savings plans have exceeded \$5 billion, an increase of more than \$2.1 billion since her tenure

began in November 2014, according to a press release.

During the same period, over 193,000 new accounts have been established and the average account balance has risen to nearly \$13,000.

CollegeChoice 529 en-

ables account owners and gift contributors to save for a beneficiary’s education at an eligible school. Accounts can grow tax-free as long as the money is withdrawn to pay for qualified higher education expenses like tuition, room and board, books, computers and fees.

Indiana taxpayers may also be eligible for an annual state income tax credit of

20 percent of contributions to their CollegeChoice 529 accounts, worth up to \$1,000 each year.

A weekly investment of ten dollars from birth to time of enrollment in college 18 years later could lead to savings and earnings of over \$15,000. Borrowing the same \$15,000 in student loans could result in a total repayment of over \$21,500.

La Fontaine student performing with Trine University Big Band

Fall concert to be presented Sunday, Nov. 24

STAFF REPORT

Trine University’s jazz ensembles, under the direction of Prof. Brian Derek, adjunct music faculty, will present their fall concert beginning at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24, in the Ryan Concert Hall of the T. Furth Center for Performing Arts, 500 W. Maumee

St., Angola, according to a press release.

Benjamin Roudebush of La Fontaine will perform with the university’s Big Band on second trumpet. Roudebush is majoring in computer science and information technology at Trine.

The concert is free and open to the public.

The Jazz Combo will perform “Gentle Rain” by Louis Bonfa, “Maiden Voyage” by Herbie Hancock, “Watermelon Man”

by Herbie Hancock, “Summertime” by George Gershwin and “Mr. PC” by John Coltrane.

The Big Band will perform “Mood Indigo” by Duke Ellington, arranged by John Berry; “Birdland” by Josef Zawinul; arranged by John Higgins; “The Girl From Ipanema” by Antonio Carlos Jobim, arranged by Mark Taylor; “Land of Make Believe” by Chuck Mangione, arranged by Victor Lopez; “Earth, Wind

and Fire Dance Mix,” arranged by Paul Murtha; “Tiger of San Pedro” by John LaBarbera, arranged by Paul Lavender; “It Don’t Mean A Thing (If It Ain’t Got That Swing)” by Duke Ellington, arranged by Mark Taylor; “What Is Hip?” by Stephen Kupka, Emilio Castillo and David Garibaldi, arranged by Paul Murtha; and “Children of Sanchez” by Chuck Mangione, arranged by Victor Lopez.

Butterfly on a bomb range: Endangered Species Act at work

BY SETH BORENSTEIN
AP Science Writer

FORT BRAGG, N.C. — In the unlikely setting of the world’s most populated military installation, amid all the regimented chaos, you’ll find the Endangered Species Act at work.

There, as a 400-pound explosive resounds in the distance, a tiny St. Francis Satyr butterfly flits among the splotchy leaves, ready to lay as many as 100 eggs. At one point, this brown and frankly dull-looking butterfly could be found in only one place on Earth: Fort Bragg’s artillery range.

Now, thanks in great measure to the 46-year-old federal act, they are found in eight more places — though all of them are on other parts of the Army base. And if all goes well, biologists will have just seeded habitat No. 10.

One of Earth’s rarest butterfly species, there are maybe 3,000 St. Francis Satyrs. There are never going to be enough of them to get off the endangered list, but they’re not about to go extinct either. They are permanent patients of the bureaucratic conservation hospital ward.

In some ways, the tiny butterfly is an ideal example of the more than 1,600 U.S. species that have been protected by the Endangered Species Act. Alive, but not exactly doing that well.

To some experts, just having these creatures around means the 46-year-old law has done its job. More than 99.2 percent of the species protected by the act survive, The Associated Press has found. Only 11 species were declared extinct, and experts say all but a couple of them had already pretty much died out when they were listed.

On the other hand, only 39 U.S. species — about 2 percent of the overall number— have made it off the endangered list because of recovery, including such well-known successes as bald eagles, peregrine falcons and American alligators.

Most of the species on the endangered list are getting worse. And only 8 percent are getting better, according to a 2016 study by Jake Li, director for biodiversity at the Environmental Policy Innovation Center

in Washington.

“Species will remain in the Endangered Species Act hospital indefinitely. And I don’t think that’s a failure of the Endangered Species Act itself,” Li says.

The Endangered Species Act “is the safety net of last resort,” says Gary Frazer, assistant director of ecological services at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which administers the law. “We list species after all other vehicles of protection have failed.”

The act was signed into law by Republican President Richard Nixon on Dec. 28, 1973. It had been passed overwhelmingly — the House voted 355 to 4 in favor and Senate approval was unanimous, margins that seem unthinkable today.

The law was designed to prevent species from going extinct and to protect their habitat. It instructed two federal agencies — the Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service — to draw up a list of species endangered or threatened with extinction.

Under the law, it is unlawful to “harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture or collect” endangered animals, and it also forbids the elimination of their habitats. At first, only animals were protected, but eventually plants were protected, too.

The law caused all sorts of environmental show-downs in the 1970s and 1980s — most notoriously, the fight over the construction of the Tellico Dam in Tennessee, which threatened the tiny snail darter fish. In the end, the Supreme Court ruled in favor of the fish, but Congress exempted the dam from the law.

Now, the act is in contention once again. In September, President Donald Trump’s administration changed the endangered species process in ways that some say weaken the law. Critics say one change would allow costs to industry to be taken into account when deciding how to protect species.

Even putting that aside, the act has its costs. Another species found at Fort Bragg — the red-cockaded woodpecker — is a case in point.

In 2016, the last year with per-species spending estimates, the U.S. government spent \$25 million on the red-cockaded woodpecker, more than 100 times what it spent on the St. Francis Satyr butterfly. From 1998 to 2016, the federal government spent \$408 million on the woodpecker, making it one of the most expensive species on the endangered list.

The small woodpecker is a member of the original class of 1967. It may soon fly off the endangered list or, more likely, graduate to the less-protected threatened list.

“Something is going right,” says Fort Bragg Endangered Species Branch Chief Jackie Britcher, holding a male woodpecker in her hands as a group of biologists stood under trees with giant nets to catch, count and band the birds.

The woodpeckers live only in longleaf pines, which have been disappearing across the Southeast for more than a century, due to development and suppression of fires. When naturally occurring fires were tamped down, other plants and brush would crowd them out.

Unlike other woodpeckers, these birds build their nests in live trees, sometimes taking as long as a decade to drill a cavity and make a home.

In the 1980s and 1990s, efforts to save the woodpecker and their trees set off a backlash among landowners who worried about interference on their private property.

“I’ve been run off the road. I’ve been shot at,” says former Fish and Wildlife Service woodpecker official Julie Moore.

Army officials weren’t happy either: They were being told they couldn’t train in many places because of the woodpecker.

“We couldn’t maneuver. We couldn’t shoot because they were afraid the bird was going to blink out and go into extinction,” says former top Fort Bragg planning official Mike Lynch.

By the 1980s, the red cockaded woodpecker population was below 10,000 nationwide, says Virginia Tech scientist Jeff Walters, a woodpecker expert. Biologists built boxes

to serve as nests, attaching them to trees. The woodpeckers weren’t interested.

Then Walters tried something different. He put the boxes inside the trees. The birds started living in them.

Instead of prohibiting work on land the woodpecker needs, Fish and Wildlife Service officials allowed landowners to make some changes as long as they generally didn’t hurt the bird.

Such “safe harbor” agreements “effectively laid out the welcome mat for endangered species” without burdening the landowner, says former assistant Interior Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks Michael Bean, who wrote the seminal 1977 textbook on endangered species law.

Meanwhile, Army officials were convinced to start setting fires to burn away the scrub. Now about a third of the area burns every three years or so.

The result? When Britcher started, in 1983, there were fewer than 300 families — with about three birds per nest — on Fort Bragg, and the numbers were dropping. Now she counts 453 families on the base and 29 nearby. That’s well over the goal the Army set for itself.

At least 15,000 of the woodpeckers thrive on bases across the Southeast, where they’re best protected and counted regularly, Walters says.

The woodpecker is “an umbrella species” biologists say. What helps woodpeckers is good for the St. Francis Satyr butterfly and dozens of other vulnerable species.

And it helps soldiers, too, who now have greatly improved training lands, Lynch notes.

Lynch made that observation in the right field stands of the new Fayetteville, North Carolina, minor league baseball stadium. The name chosen by the community for the first-year team: the Fayetteville Woodpeckers. A community that once hated the bird has now embraced it as their own.

From 1998 to 2016, the federal government tallied \$20.5 billion in spending on individual species on the endangered list. That’s based on an annual per-species spending report that the Fish and Wildlife

Questa Scholars Program applications now being accepted

Deadline to submit will be March 15, 2020

STAFF REPORT

Questa Education Foundation has announced the Questa Scholars Program application is available on their website from through March 15, 2020, according to a press release.

The application has opened earlier this year to solidify college funding earlier, which will assist students with the college decision process.

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The funding for this program comes from local and regional foundations, businesses and organizations.

“Local support is essential for helping increase the access to continued education and preparation for employment in our communities,” stated the release.

For more information on Questa Education Foundation programs and completing the application visit the website at www.questa.foundation.org or call 260-407-6494.

U.S. prison system long plagued by staffing crisis, violence

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO
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WASHINGTON — For years, the federal Bureau of Prisons has been plagued by systematic failures, from massive staffing shortages to chronic violence. But the largest agency in the Justice Department has largely stayed out of the public view.

The death of wealthy financier Jeffrey Epstein and the revelation that he was able to kill himself

while behind bars at one of the most secure jails in America has cast a spotlight on the agency, which has also been besieged by serious misconduct in recent years.

The issues at the Bureau of Prisons took center stage Tuesday as the agency's new director appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Staffing shortages at the agency — it employs more than 35,000 people and has an annual budget that

exceeds \$7 billion — are so severe that guards often work overtime day after day or are forced to work mandatory double shifts. Violence leads to regular lockdowns at federal prisons compounds across the U.S. And a congressional report released earlier this year found “bad behavior is ignored or covered up on a regular basis.”

At the same time, the Bureau of Prisons will be responsible for carrying out the first federal executions

in more than 15 years, the first of which is scheduled for Dec. 9.

Dr. Kathleen Hawk Sawyer's appearance before Congress came at the same time federal prosecutors in New York announced charges against two correctional officers who were responsible for guarding Epstein when he took his own life in August at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Manhattan. The city's medical examiner ruled Epstein's

death a suicide.

The officers were charged with falsifying prison records to conceal they were sleeping and browsing the internet during the hours they were supposed to be keeping a close watch on prisoners.

Hawk Sawyer, who was also director from 1992 until 2003, said the agency has been “challenged significantly” because of budget reductions. But since being named director in late August, she's put

a “great emphasis on filling vacancies,” along with training employees and ensuring there's a “re-commitment to sound correctional practice,” she said.

The falsification of records has been a problem throughout the federal prison system. Union officials have long argued that the reduction of staff is putting both guards and inmates in danger, but they've faced an uphill battle as society seems to turn a blind eye.

VOLKER

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not know of the push at the time, despite his deep involvement with Ukrainian officials on a statement — never released — that would have committed the country to investigating Burisma and the 2016 U.S. election. Nor did he make the connection after Rudy Giuliani, Trump's personal lawyer, mentioned the allegations against Joe Biden during a July 19 breakfast, Volker said.

“In retrospect I should have seen that connection differently, and had I done so, I would have raised my own objections,” Volker said Tuesday in his opening statement.

Volker was testifying alongside former White House national security official Tim Morrison in the second hearing of the day in the House's impeachment inquiry, the fourth in history against a U.S. president. Both witnesses were requested by Republicans.

Democrats say there may be grounds for impeachment in Trump's push for Ukraine's new leadership to investigate his Democratic rival and the 2016 U.S. election as he withheld critical U.S. military assistance.

Trump says he did no such thing and the Democrats just want him gone. He dismissed the hearings as a “kangaroo court.”

Morrison, who stepped

down from the National Security Council shortly before he appeared behind closed doors last month, has said he is not concerned that anything illegal was discussed on Trump's July 25 call, something Republicans have repeatedly highlighted.

“As I stated during my deposition, I feared at the time of the call on July 25th how its disclosure would play in Washington's political climate,” he said Tuesday. “My fears have been realized.”

Volker, meanwhile, was the first person to come behind closed doors in the inquiry that started in September, resigning his position shortly before he did so.

Since then, a parade of witnesses have testified publicly and privately about what they recalled about the July 25 phone call between Trump and Ukraine's new leader, Volodymyr Zelenskyy. Many of those statements cast doubt on Volker's account that he didn't know Burisma was tied to Biden, and that he wasn't aware of a possible quid pro quo. Volker was not on the call.

On Tuesday, Volker said he opposed any hold on security assistance. And he said he didn't understand there was a link between Hunter Biden and Burisma.

“I did not understand that others believed that any investigation of the Ukrainian company, Burisma, which had a history of accusations of corruption, was tantamount to investigating Vice

President Biden,” he said. “I drew a distinction between the two.”

Morrison, however, confirmed to investigators that he witnessed a key September conversation in Warsaw between Gordon Sondland, the U.S. ambassador to the European Union, and a Ukrainian official. Sondland told the official that U.S. aid might be freed up if the country's top prosecutor “would go to the mike and announce that he was opening the Burisma investigation,” Morrison said in previous closed-door testimony.

A series of text messages Volker provided to lawmakers showed conversations between him, Sondland and Ambassador Bill Taylor, and other messages between Ukrainian officials. The messages discuss the need for Ukraine to launch investigations, including into Burisma.

Volker said he had one in-person meeting with Giuliani, in which Giuliani “raised, and I rejected, the conspiracy theory that Vice President Biden would have been influenced in his duties as Vice President by money paid to his son.”

He said he has known Biden for more than two decades and believes him to be an honorable man.

An earlier witness, Defense Department official Laura Cooper, told investigators Volker had told her in August that there was a “statement” that the Ukrainian government could make

about investigation to get the security assistance flowing from the United States.

She said it was the first she had heard of a “quid pro quo” — the allegation central to the impeachment inquiry, that the U.S. would release the aid only if Ukraine announced an investigation.

Volker also said a senior aide to Zelenskyy approached him last summer to ask to be connected to Giuliani. He said he made clear to the Zelenskyy aide, Andrey Yermak, that Giuliani was a private citizen and not a representative of the U.S. government.

“Likewise, in my conversations with Mayor Giuliani, I never considered him to be speaking on the President's behalf or giving ‘instructions.’ Rather, the information flow was the other way — from Ukraine to Mayor Giuliani in the hopes this would clear up the information reaching President Trump,” Volker said.

Volker himself requested a meeting in July with Giuliani. He said Giuliani mentioned the accusations about the Bidens, as well as a discredited theory that Ukraine interfered in the 2016 U.S. election.

Volker said he stressed that no one in the new team governing Ukraine had anything to do with the 2016 election, and that it was not credible to him that Biden would have been influenced in any way by personal or financial motivations.

HOSPITAL

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hospital has received state and national recognition for its high-quality care, world-class teamwork and outstanding workplace culture.”

Custer-Mitchell stated the hospital was previously honored a mayoral proclamation by Wabash Mayor Bob Vanlandingham at a “New Chapter Ceremony” in December 2014 as Wabash County Hospital marked the beginning of its transition to Parkview Wabash Hospital, which took place officially in January 2015.

Parkview Wabash was recently ranked No. 2 in the nation in Modern Healthcare's Best Places to Work

in Healthcare list for 2019. Modern Healthcare annually recognizes stellar performers in two categories: employer/insurer or vendor. Parkview Wabash was honored in the “employer/insurer” category. Earlier this year, the hospital also received Best Places to Work in Indiana recognition from the Indiana Chamber of Commerce for the second year.

“First as Wabash County Hospital and now as a member of the Parkview Health family, Parkview Wabash Hospital has served patients and the broader community for nearly 100 years. The current, state-of-the-art facility opened in June 2018, and the hospital team will celebrate the century milestone of service in 2021,” stated Custer-Mitchell.

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Area calendar

Girls basketball - Northfield at Eastbrook, 7:30 p.m.; Wabash at Warsaw, 7:30 p.m.

Kentucky bill aims to curb violence toward sports officials

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Three Republican lawmakers in Kentucky say they plan to introduce a bill that would make intimidating sports officials a misdemeanor offense.

State Rep. Randy Bridges of Paducah said Tuesday that the measure aims to restore respect for sports officials. The bill would also create a felony offense for physically assaulting officials.

Bridges says the goal is to prevent “highly charged” situations from escalating at sporting events.

The bill stems from a spring incident in which a Kentucky referee was punched and knocked unconscious in Paducah. The alleged assailant is charged with assault.

The referee, Kenny Culp, expressed support for the bill during a news conference Tuesday.

Under the bill, an intimidation offense would include threatening physical injury or property damage.

Manfred says has broad authority for Astros discipline

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred hopes the investigation into sign stealing by the Houston Astros will be completed by next season and says he has broad authority to impose discipline beyond fines, the loss of amateur draft picks and taking away international signing bonus pool allocation.

Oakland pitcher Mike Fiers said that when he was with Houston in 2017, the Astros stole signs during home games by using a camera positioned in center field, The Athletic reported last week.

Speaking Tuesday ahead of an owners’ meeting, Manfred says an “allegation that relates to a rule violation that could affect the outcome of a game or games is the most serious matter — it relates to the integrity of the sport.”

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL



FILE PHOTO

BASKETBALL: Manchester’s Mackenzie Day corraling a rebound during the Squires’ game against Maconaquah on Friday.

Squires continues busy start to season

BY JACOB RUDE
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Match-ups with local rivals from Grant and Huntington County highlight the busiest week yet on the girls’ basketball calendar.

Manchester (1-3) - at Adams Central, Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m.; at Mississinewa, Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m., vs. Winamac, Nov. 23, 7:45 p.m.

Manchester’s busy start to the season continues with three more games on the week as the Squires have eight games in November.

After traveling to Adams Central on Tuesday, Manchester has a weekend doubleheader, starting with a trip to Mississinewa on Friday. The Indians have started the year 3-1 with wins over Northfield and Wabash. On Saturday, the Squires host a Winamac side that is 2-1 on the year with a 68-3 win over Caston.

Through the opening four games, Emma Garriott is leading the team in scoring

at 7.5 points per game while Ranissa Shambarger chips in 6.8 points per contest.

Like Northfield, Manchester is looking to avoid its worst start since the 2013-14 season when the team went 1-19 on the year.

Northfield (1-2) - at Eastbrook, Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m.; at Huntington North, Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m.

After their second loss of the season, the Norse fell to No. 17 in the latest Class A poll. This week presents an opportunity to get back over .500 on the year, starting on Wednesday at Eastbrook.

The Panthers have played just one game this season, downing Southern Wells in overtime, 45-40. Northfield as won the last three meetings between the sides, including a 65-18 beatdown last season.

On Saturday, the Norse will then travel to Huntington North to take on a Viking side that Northfield had one of its best perfor-

mances of the year last season in a 70-29 win. Huntington North is 3-0 on the year with a 60-2 win over Fort Wayne North Side and a 52-14 win over Southwood.

The Norse are looking to avoid their worst start to the season since 2015-16 when the team lost its first four games and had just one win through its first five games.

Wabash (1-2) - at Warsaw, Nov. 20, 7:30 p.m.; vs. Southern Wells, Nov. 23, 7:30 p.m.

After a win in the opening week of the season, Wabash has dropped back-to-back contests to Mississinewa and Marion. After another tough battle against Warsaw on Tuesday, the Apaches will return home against Southern Wells.

The Tigers are 3-0 on the year while having defeated Manchester 82-29. Southern Wells, meanwhile, is winless with three losses to Fort Wayne Blackhawk, Union City and Eastbrook.

NFL

NFL’s wild and crazy Week 11 included Garrett, Kaepernick, Mexico

BY ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Pro Football Writer

The NFL’s wild Week 11 featured Myles Garrett getting in a swivet, Colin Kaepernick’s pivot and all those Azteca Stadium divots.

The bookends were the fracas that occurred Thursday night in the closing seconds of Cleveland’s 21-7 win against Pittsburgh and the Chiefs’ 24-17 victory over the Chargers on Monday night in Mexico in a game that left the field looking as though Charles Barkley and Bill Murray had been practicing at the driving range.

In between, all the attention was on Kaepernick’s

audible to move his scheduled workout in front of 25 NFL teams to a high school field in suburban Atlanta after refusing the league’s limitations.

Not everybody came down as hard on Garrett as the NFL did when it suspended the Browns’ star pass rusher and former No. 1 overall draft pick indefinitely for ripping Mason Rudolph’s helmet off and then smacking him over the head with it.

“That’s not him,” Broncos star linebacker Von Miller said of his fellow Texas A&M alum. “He’ll be able to get up out of this, just continue to be himself. Everybody

knows that that’s not him. It just happened. You can see why he was driven to that by all the stuff that Mason was doing. But it was a mistake. It’s not going to define his career.

“He probably didn’t know he had the helmet in his hand still,” added Miller, who cut off the interview just then as TV cameras suddenly swarmed around him.

While Miller was especially vocal in his defense of his fellow Aggie, the general position in locker rooms across the league was this: Mason might have tried wresting Garrett’s helmet after a late hit and kicked him

in the crotch, but so what?

“I don’t think that Mason Rudolph is innocent by any means,” Denver defensive end Shelby Harris said. “But no matter what, he didn’t deserve to be hit in the head with a helmet.”

The code of football fist-cuffs is this: when somebody’s helmet comes off, the fight stops.

Miller’s teammate, safety Justin Simmons, said he figured Garrett was going to just toss the helmet once he pried it from Rudolph, “but coming over the top and hitting him? You just can’t do

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

All-America Watch: Florida’s Pitts one of nation’s top TEs

BY DAVE SKRETTA
AP Sports Writer

It was midway through the third quarter last Saturday, and Missouri had just cut Florida’s lead to 13-6, when Gators quarterback Kyle Trask dropped back and saw Kyle Pitts down the right sideline.

Trask heaved the ball and Pitts, the big and rangy tight end, grabbed it along with Tigers safety Khalil Oliver. They still had control of it when they hit the ground, Pitts unwilling to let it out of his enormous paws, and it took a video review to decide who had possession.

Pitts wound up with a 25-yard catch. And three players later, Trask threw a 15-yard touchdown pass to Lamical Perine that effectively sealed the Gators’ 23-6 victory.

It was just another example of why Pitts is a legitimate candidate for postseason honors, including the AP All-America team presented by Regions Bank.

“Especially for the short throws over the middle, he has great body awareness to position guys up,” Trask said. “If nothing else is there, you’ve got a big athlete that is going to make plays.”

Pitts has been crucial to the Gators’ continued success after losing quarterback Feleipe Franks to a season-ending knee injury. He has the second-most catches and fifth-most yards receiving among tight ends nationally, averaging 4.2 catches per game and hauling in five touchdown catches.

He’ll be playing with a chip on his shoulder going forward, too.

The voting panel for the Mackey Award, given to the nation’s best tight end, revealed a list of eight semifinalists Monday. The biggest absence from the list: Pitts.

Evidently, Barry Odom wasn’t among the voters. The Tigers’ coach called Pitts a “matchup problem,” and that his defensive coaches were constantly tracking where he was all game.

“I’ll hear that in my sleep tonight: ‘Where’s 84 lined up?’” Odom said.

There was a Mackey Award semifinalist on the field Saturday: Missouri’s Albert Okwuegbunam, who has caught six TDs this season yet showed in one drive against the Gators why he’s been a maddening talent.

First, he dropped a pass right in his hands on first down early in the fourth quarter, something that has become a common occurrence. Then, four plays later, he snared a pass and used his huge size to shed Florida defensive back Trey Dean, who hit the ground so hard he took himself out of the game.

Okwuegbunam also let his temper get the best of him in the third quarter.

The Gators were called for a late hit on quarterback Kelly Bryant, a penalty that would have given Missouri a first down. But Okwuegbunam yanked Mohamoud Diabate away from the scrum and drew a flag for unsportsmanlike conduct. That meant

SCOREBOARD

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	9	1	0	.900	287	108
Buffalo	7	3	0	.700	211	170
N.Y. Jets	3	7	0	.300	164	255
Miami	2	8	0	.200	139	305
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	6	4	0	.600	227	206
Houston	6	4	0	.600	245	232
Tennessee	5	5	0	.500	203	197
Jacksonville	4	6	0	.400	189	222
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	8	2	0	.800	341	196
Pittsburgh	5	5	0	.500	200	202
Cleveland	4	6	0	.400	192	228
Cincinnati	0	10	0	.000	147	276
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	308	256
Oakland	6	4	0	.600	225	250
L.A. Chargers	4	7	0	.364	224	218
Denver	3	7	0	.300	172	197
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	6	4	0	.600	268	197
Philadelphia	5	5	0	.500	234	230
N.Y. Giants	2	8	0	.200	203	289
Washington	1	9	0	.100	125	253
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	8	2	0	.800	238	199
Carolina	5	5	0	.500	228	257
Atlanta	3	7	0	.300	220	262
Tampa Bay	3	7	0	.300	277	313
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	8	2	0	.800	250	205
Minnesota	8	3	0	.727	289	204
Chicago	4	6	0	.400	169	175
Detroit	3	6	1	.350	244	272
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	9	1	0	.900	295	155
Seattle	8	2	0	.800	275	254
L.A. Rams	6	4	0	.600	243	198
Arizona	3	7	1	.318	248	317

Thursday's Game	
Cleveland 21, Pittsburgh 7	
Sunday's Games	
Baltimore 41, Houston 7	
Indianapolis 33, Jacksonville 13	
Atlanta 29, Carolina 3	
New Orleans 34, Tampa Bay 17	
Dallas 35, Detroit 27	
Minnesota 27, Denver 23	
N.Y. Jets 34, Washington 17	
Buffalo 37, Miami 20	
San Francisco 36, Arizona 26	
Oakland 17, Cincinnati 10	
New England 17, Philadelphia 10	
L.A. Rams 17, Chicago 7	
Open: N.Y. Giants, Seattle, Tennessee, Green Bay	
Monday's Game	
Kansas City 24, L.A. Chargers 17	
Thursday, Nov. 21	
Indianapolis at Houston, 8:20 p.m.	
Sunday, Nov. 24	
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 1 p.m.	
Miami at Cleveland, 1 p.m.	
Seattle at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.	
N.Y. Giants at Chicago, 1 p.m.	
Carolina at New Orleans, 1 p.m.	
Denver at Buffalo, 1 p.m.	
Detroit at Washington, 1 p.m.	
Oakland at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.	
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.	
Jacksonville at Tennessee, 4:05 p.m.	
Dallas at New England, 4:25 p.m.	
Green Bay at San Francisco, 8:20 p.m.	
Open: Arizona, Minnesota, Kansas City, L.A. Chargers	

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP Top 25 Poll				
The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 16, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:				
	Record	Pts	Pv	
1. LSU (54)	10-0	1542	1	
2. Ohio St. (5)	10-0	1478	2	
3. Clemson (3)	11-0	1442	3	
4. Georgia	9-1	1343	5	
5. Alabama	9-1	1263	4	
6. Oregon	9-1	1243	6	
7. Utah	9-1	1155	8	
8. Oklahoma	9-1	1144	10	
9. Penn St.	9-1	1030	9	
10. Florida	9-2	984	11	
11. Minnesota	9-1	902	7	
12. Michigan	8-2	829	14	
13. Baylor	9-1	787	12	
14. Wisconsin	8-2	746	15	
15. Notre Dame	8-2	676	16	
16. Auburn	7-3	623	13	
17. Cincinnati	9-1	536	17	
18. Memphis	9-1	520	18	
19. Iowa	7-3	493	23	
20. Boise St.	9-1	379	19	
21. SMU	9-1	328	20	
22. Oklahoma St.	7-3	200	25	
23. Appalachian St.	9-1	154	NR	
24. Texas A&M	7-3	132	NR	
25. Virginia Tech	7-3	61	NR	
Others receiving votes: Indiana 47, Iowa St. 31, Virginia 23, Navy 13, Air Force 12, Pittsburgh 9, San Diego St. 7, Southern Cal 6, Washington 6, Texas 4, North Dakota St. 1, Illinois 1.				
AP Top 25 Schedule				
Saturday, Nov. 23				
No. 1 LSU vs. Arkansas, 7 p.m.				
No. 2 Ohio State vs. No. 9 Penn State, Noon				
No. 4 Georgia vs. No. 24 Texas A&M, 3:30 p.m.				
No. 5 Alabama vs. Western Carolina, Noon				
No. 6 Oregon at Arizona State, 7:30 p.m.				
No. 7 Utah at Arizona, 10 p.m.				
No. 8 Oklahoma vs. TCU, 8 p.m.				
No. 11 Minnesota at Northwestern, Noon				
No. 12 Michigan at Indiana, 3:30 p.m.				
No. 13 Baylor vs. Texas, 3:30 p.m.				
No. 14 Wisconsin vs. Purdue, 4 p.m.				
No. 15 Notre Dame vs. Boston College, 2:30 p.m.				
No. 16 Auburn vs. Samford, Noon				
No. 17 Cincinnati vs. Temple, 7 p.m.				
No. 18 Memphis at South Florida, 4 p.m.				
No. 19 Iowa vs. Illinois, Noon				
No. 20 Boise State at Utah State, 10:30 p.m.				
No. 21 SMU at Navy, 3:30 p.m.				
No. 22 Oklahoma State at West Virginia, Noon				
No. 23 Appalachian State vs. Texas State, 2:30 p.m.				
No. 25 Virginia Tech vs. Pittsburgh, 3:30 p.m.				

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	11	2	.846	—
Toronto	9	4	.692	2
Philadelphia	8	5	.615	3
Brooklyn	5	8	.385	6
New York	4	10	.286	7½
Southeast Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	9	3	.750	—
Orlando	6	7	.462	3½
Charlotte	6	8	.429	4
Atlanta	4	9	.308	5½
Washington	3	8	.273	5½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	10	3	.769	—
Indiana	8	6	.571	2½
Detroit	4	9	.308	6
Cleveland	4	9	.308	6
Chicago	4	10	.286	6½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	11	3	.786	—
Dallas	8	5	.615	2½
Memphis	5	8	.385	5½
San Antonio	5	9	.357	6
New Orleans	4	9	.308	6½
Northwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	9	3	.750	—
Utah	8	5	.615	1½
Minnesota	8	6	.571	2
Oklahoma City	5	8	.385	4½
Portland	5	9	.357	5
Pacific Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	11	2	.846	—
L.A. Clippers	9	5	.643	2½
Phoenix	7	5	.583	3½
Sacramento	5	7	.417	5½
Golden State	2	12	.143	9½
Monday's Games				
New York 123, Cleveland 105				
Indiana 115, Brooklyn 86				
Toronto 132, Charlotte 96				
Houston 132, Portland 108				
Milwaukee 115, Chicago 101				
Dallas 117, San Antonio 110				
Boston 99, Phoenix 85				

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

(MEN'S)	
7 p.m.	
BTN: Princeton at Indiana	
FS1: Columbia at St. John's	
9 p.m.	
BTN: The Citadel at Illinois	
10 p.m.	
CBSSN: Brigham Young at Boise State	
11 p.m.	
ESPNU: Sacramento Classic: St. Mary's (Calif.) vs. Fresno State, Sacramento, Calif.	
COLLEGE FOOTBALL	
7:30 p.m.	
ESPN2: Toledo at Buffalo	
ESPNU: Akron at Miami (Ohio)	
COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL	
(WOMEN'S)	
7 p.m.	
SEC: Missouri at	

Minnesota 112, Utah 102	
L.A. Clippers 90, Oklahoma City 88	
Tuesday's Games	
Golden State at Memphis	
Portland at New Orleans	
Phoenix at Sacramento	
Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers	
Today's Games	
New York at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.	
San Antonio at Washington, 7 p.m.	
Charlotte at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.	
Cleveland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.	
Golden State at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.	
Milwaukee at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.	
Orlando at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.	
Detroit at Chicago, 8 p.m.	
Utah at Minnesota, 8 p.m.	
Houston at Denver, 9 p.m.	
Boston at L.A. Clippers, 10 p.m.	
Thursday's Games	
Portland at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.	
New Orleans at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.	
Friday's Games	
Atlanta at Detroit, 7 p.m.	
Charlotte at Washington, 7 p.m.	
Sacramento at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.	
L.A. Lakers at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.	
Miami at Chicago, 8 p.m.	
San Antonio at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.	
Cleveland at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.	
Golden State at Denver, 9 p.m.	
Golden State at Utah, 9 p.m.	
Houston at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.	

NBA Leaders						
Through Monday's Games						
Scoring						
	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG	
Harden, HOU	14	151	179	549	39.2	
Antetokoun, MIL	13	143	190	394	30.3	
Beal, WAS	11	116	67	331	30.1	
Donic, DAL	13	124	99	384	29.5	
Lillard, POR	14	126	103	401	28.6	
Irving, BRO	11	112	59	314	28.5	
Towns, MIN	12	110	57	324	27.7	
Young, ATL	12	105	76	324	27.0	
Wiggins, MIN	11	110	39	285	25.9	
Siakam, TOR	13	126	52	334	25.7	
Booker, PHX	12	108	54	300	25.0	
James, LAL	13	122	56	325	25.0	
Mitchell, UTA	13	118	63	322	24.8	
Davis, LAL	12	103	80	294	24.5	
Russell, GOL	10	85	45	243	24.3	
Warrior, BOS	13	96	64	304	23.4	
Williams, LAL	14	99	92	310	22.1	
Westbrook, HOU	12	96	52	259	21.6	
McCollum, POR	14	121	25	298	21.3	
FG Percentage						
		FG	FGA	PCT		
Gobert, UTA		64	93	.688		
Clarke, MEM		64	99	.646		
Capela, HOU		77	120	.642		
Allen, BRO		48	75	.640		
Wagner, WAS		53	84	.631		
Holmes, SAC		54	86	.628		
Harrell, LAL		110	183	.601		
Carter, CHI		71	120	.592		
Adebayo, MIA		60	102	.588		
Rebounds						
	G	OFF	DEF	TOT	AVG	
Drummond, DET	13	60	161	221	17.0	
Antetokoun, MIL	13	33	149	182	14.0	
Sabonis, IND	12	47	118	165	13.8	
Gobert, UTA	13	38	139	177	13.6	
Capela, HOU	12	37	120	157	13.1	
Lowe, CLE	12	13	132	145	12.1	
Towns, MIN	12	32	113	145	12.1	
Vucenic, ORL	12	38	119	157	12.1	
Whiteside, POR	13	49	105	154	11.8	
Donic, DAL	13	22	117	139	10.7	
Assists						
	G	AST	AVG			
James, LAL	13	145	11.2			
Donic, DAL	13	121	9.3			
Rubio, PHX	10	87	8.7			
Young, ATL	12	104	8.7			
Brogdon, IND	12	98	8.2			
Teague, MIN	12	98	7.8			
VanVleet, TOR	13	99	7.6			
Harden, HOU	14	106	7.6			
Butler, MIA	9	65	7.2			
Irving, BRO	11	79	7.2			

NBA

Carmelo aims to knock off rust, knock down shots for Trail Blazers

BY BRIAN MAHONEY

AP Basketball Writer

Plenty has changed since Carmelo Anthony last played an NBA game.

Zion Williamson had just made his Duke debut. Kyrie Irving had said only a month earlier he planned to re-sign in Boston.

There’s been turnover all over the league — including a blockbuster trade between Anthony’s last two teams that sent Russell Westbrook to Houston and Chris Paul to Oklahoma City.

When Anthony joins the Portland Trail Blazers on Tuesday in New Orleans, he will come to an NBA that’s much different since Nov. 8, 2018, and he will try to show he still fits in it.

“I just look at that opportunity, that team, and say, ‘Look, this is what I can bring to the team, this where I can help,’ and it will only work if all parties see it the same way,” Anthony said in a video posted Monday.

Plenty of fellow players think he can. A former coach hopes he will.

“Hopefully this is a good situation,” Houston’s Mike D’Antoni said. “You never know why this didn’t happen before. For whatever reason. Maybe he wasn’t ready. I hope it works out.”

Anthony had played 10 games for D’Antoni when his season abruptly ended. Anthony hadn’t played terribly, with three 20-point performances before the Rockets decided it wasn’t the right fit.

The three-time Olympic gold medalist has kept himself in shape by working out with NBA players, but going from pickup play to NBA action is a major step. He’ll

be trying to make it at 35 and will be attacked defensively by players a decade or more younger — and he wasn’t a great defender even at their age.

But he’s a top-20 scorer in NBA history and can perhaps provide some needed punch to a Trail Blazers team that is 5-9 after losing Monday in Houston, where the last team to give Anthony a shot had no complaints about his effort.

“He’s a leader,” D’Antoni said. “There was nothing at all, not even a hint of him not doing what we asked or trying or all that. It was just for us, for whatever reason, it just wasn’t going to be a fit here.”

Maybe it will in Portland.

SLUMPING SPURS

San Antonio has games this week at Washington and New York, a pair of last-place teams.

The Spurs aren’t much better than either.

Their losing streak is at six following a 117-110 loss in Dallas on Monday that started a four-game trip. At 5-9, San Antonio is off to its worst start since 1996-97, the season before it drafted Tim Duncan.

San Antonio hadn’t dropped six straight since late in the 2010-11 season. The Spurs still won 61 games that season, but that was with a veteran squad.

This one is much younger — its youngest ever under Gregg Popovich — with nine players under 25. That means the Spurs, with a record-tying run of 22 straight postseason appearances, have been in the playoffs almost every year of their lives.

There’s plenty of time to turn

things around and make sure that streak continues.

“You know, it takes one to change the course, change the momentum and the feeling around here,” said LaMarcus Aldridge, one of the few veterans. “So, just got to get that one and try to build from there.”

OTHER GAMES TO WATCH THIS WEEK

New Orleans at Phoenix, Thursday. Monty Williams, engineering a terrific turnaround in Phoenix, faces his former franchise.

Houston at Clippers, Friday. Teammates last season, Russell Westbrook and Paul George meet as opponents.

Miami at Philadelphia, Saturday. Jimmy Butler visits the team he helped to the second round of last season’s playoffs.

Brooklyn at New York, Sunday: Knicks fans can let Kyrie Irving know how they feel about him choosing the Nets.

Philadelphia at Toronto, Monday. The 76ers will need to look down to avoid seeing pictures everywhere of Kawhi Leonard’s buzzer beater in Game 7 of the Eastern Conference semis.

MEDICAL MATTERS

Glenn Rivers has joked that “Doc” is just a nickname and doesn’t mean he has any medical knowledge.

The NBA doesn’t require it, but it does insist that what he or any coach says about a player’s health be accurate.

That was the lesson from the \$50,000 fine the league levied on the Los Angeles Clippers on Nov. 7 for statements, including

BOXING

Intrigue builds in series of heavyweight boxing fights

BY TIM DAHLBERG

AP Sports Columnist

LAS VEGAS — They are a flawed group at best, the heavyweights who will be vying for your attention — and money — over the next few months. Unpredictable, too, though that just adds to the intrigue of a trio of fights that will either make boxing’s big men must-see TV or relegate the division to the doldrums once again.

Deontay Wilder is awkward but dangerous, a string bean of a heavyweight with a crushing right hand that can change everything in a fraction of a second. Luis Ortiz is a big puncher, too, though there are questions about both his stamina and age (40) going into this weekend’s rematch with Wilder that serves as an appetizer for what comes next.

That would be Anthony Joshua and Andy Ruiz Jr. on Dec. 7 in Saudi Arabia. Another piece of the heavyweight crown will be at stake when the portly Ruiz tries to replicate his upset win over a British fighter who staked a claim as the best of the lot until Ruiz stopped him in June in New York.

And then there’s the wild card known as Tyson Fury, who can talk as well as he can box. Fury claims to be the lineal heavyweight champion and can make his case to be even more than that if his scheduled February rematch with Wilder goes off as planned.

Three months, three different heavyweight title fights. And, just maybe, some clarity in a division that excites boxing fans like no other.

Or maybe not because, after all, this is boxing.

“This is what it’s all about in the heavyweight division. The big boys,” Wilder said. “One fight, one night, one blow can end it all.”

Wilder will look to land that blow when he meets Ortiz on Saturday in a pay-per-view fight that could help provide some clarity to the top of the heavyweight division. Ortiz had Wilder hurt and nearly out in their fight last year before Wilder came back to stop him in the 10th round.

The rematch is just as unpredictable, though Wilder is confident he will be the last man standing. If so, he already has agreed to meet Fury in another rematch in February of their wildly entertaining first fight.

Big punchers taking big chances. It’s a formula guaranteed to please even the most cynical boxing fan.

“I’m a knockout artist. That’s what I plan to do, to knock you out,” Wilder said. “That’s plain and simple.”

Wilder has done that throughout his career, racking up 40 knockouts in a 41-0-1 record marred only by his draw with Fury. It’s a formula that has worked so well he will be making the 10th defense of his piece of the heavyweight title when he meets Ortiz at the MGM Grand Garden arena.

For all the knockouts and title defenses, though, he’s not the unquestioned heavyweight champion of the world. There are others who claim belts, though the upcoming series of three fights should bring some order to the top of the division.

Even as Wilder and Ortiz prepare to meet, Ruiz and Joshua are deep into training for their fight in Saudi Arabia. The location is a bizarre one for a heavyweight title fight, but there’s no mistaking that whoever emerges victorious can make his own case as the best in the world.

Ruiz came out of nowhere to put himself in the mix, becoming the first fighter of Mexican heritage to win a heavyweight title when he scored a shocking knockout of Joshua after being signed as a late replacement. Ruiz, who carries a lot of his weight in the midsection, doesn’t look like a top heavyweight but his fast hands and power combined to drop Joshua four times before the fight ended in the seventh round.

Fury, meanwhile, is coming off a bloody win against Sweden’s Otto Wallin and is eager to win a rematch of his own. He outboxed Wilder last December for most of 12 rounds but was dropped twice — the final time in the 12th round — before settling for a draw that he still disputes.

The 6-foot-9 English gypsy held the heavyweight title after beating Wladimir Klitschko in 2015 before a downward spiral into drugs, drinking and mental health issues forced him out of the sport for nearly three years. He has yet to lose as a professional and, even if Wilder loses to Ortiz, could seek a big fight against Joshua or Ruiz.

“It doesn’t make any difference to me, out of every negative there will be a positive,” Fury said. “The one thing good about boxing is there’s never going to be a shortage of boxers. You fight who’s available, that’s what you do.”

Right now, that’s just what the current crop at the top of the heavyweight pile is doing. The fights are all attractive, all dangerous, and, hopefully, all exciting.

It is, said Wilder, an “amazing time for boxing and boxing fans.”

For once it’s not simply boxing hyperbole.

GOLF

BY STEVE DOUGLAS

AP Sports Writer

Shane Lowry started 2019 by ending a 3½-year wait for a victory.

In the middle of the year came his first major title, at the British Open in Royal Portrush.

How about the Irishman finishing the best season of his career by being crowned Europe’s No. 1 golfer for the first time?

“I’ll be able to sit back next week with my claret jug and be happy with what I have, but I’m trying to do as well as I can this week,” Lowry said Tuesday, assessing the state of play heading into the final leg of the Race to Dubai — the World Tour Championship starting Thursday.

“The one thing that’s got me over the few months since the Open is, when you have bad days and you’re shooting bad scores, people saying to you, ‘You won the Open, it doesn’t matter.’ But it does matter.”

It matters to four other players, too.

Lowry is in a five-way fight for the Race to Dubai title, with Bernd Wiesberger, Tommy Fleetwood, Jon Rahm and Matthew Fitzpatrick also still in contention. Fleetwood is the only player of the five to have won it before — in 2017 — and he arrives in the United Arab Emirates with confidence after winning the Nedbank Golf Challenge in South Africa last week.

Wiesberger, a 34-year-old Austrian, leads the standings having won three tournaments this year — including Rolex Series events in Italy and Scotland — in a brilliant return from seven months out with a wrist injury. He will lift the trophy if he wins at Jumeirah Golf Estates or if he finishes alone in second place.

Fleetwood climbed to second place with his win at the Nedbank, his first victory in nearly two years. He won the Race to Dubai two years ago, was beaten to the title by close friend Francesco Molinari in the final round last year, and knows a win in Dubai —

coupled with Wiesberger finishing lower than outright second — will see him become European No. 1 once again.

The same scenario faces third-place Rahm this week, and the Spaniard has a strong record on the Earth Course after winning the World Tour Championship in 2017 and placing fourth last year. It is a long course — par 72, 7,677 yards, and with two par-5 holes longer than 600 yards on the back nine. So it suits the big-hitting Rahm, who is the only player to win three Rolex Series titles and has finished inside the top five in seven of his nine Rolex Series appearances.

Lowry, at No. 4, will also win the Race to Dubai with a first place and if Wiesberger finishes lower than tied for second with one other player.

Fitzpatrick is the biggest outsider at No. 5 but has won on the Earth Course in 2016. If he repeats that, he has a chance — although Wiesberger must finish lower than tied for fourth and Fleetwood lower than outright second.

NHL

Capitals’ Hathaway ejected for spitting on opponent

BY STEPHEN WHYNO

AP Hockey Writer

ARLINGTON, Va. — Garnet Hathaway was ejected for spitting on an opponent and now the Washington Capitals winger may have to swallow more punishment from the NHL.

Hathaway was given a match penalty for spitting on Anaheim defenseman Erik Gudbranson in a brawl during the Capitals’ 5-2 victory Monday. That carries with it an automatic suspension pending a review by the NHL, and it is likely the Capitals won’t have Hathaway in the lineup Wednesday night in New York against the Rangers.

There is little precedent for Hathaway’s actions, other than the part of the rulebook that deems it worthy of an ejection and the league’s process of having its hockey operations department review each match penalty. Boston’s Brad Marchand was warned during the playoffs last spring

about licking opponents but was not suspended.

Hathaway faces a hearing Wednesday.

“You never want to sit and leave guys hanging and not be able to help out,” Hathaway said. “It would be unfortunate if I wasn’t (playing), but they are a team that can handle themselves and not worried about them in the outcomes of games.”

A day after drawing scorn from Gudbranson and the Ducks and generating buzz for spitting, Hathaway reiterated his remorse about the incident late in the second period.

“I regret doing it,” Hathaway said. “I didn’t have any arms free and made an emotional decision that I wish I didn’t, but right now I am trying to move on from it and there is nothing that I can do but apologize.”

Hathaway has been a strong addition for the Capitals, putting up two goals and five assists and add-

ing some grit that was missing last season. Now they’ll likely have to compensate for his absence for at least a game, if not longer.

“I don’t think anyone needs to step up and be Garnet Hathaway,” forward Travis Boyd said. “We got guys who will do that stuff. Maybe someone has to pick up a little bit of physicality for the night, or someone else has to go out there and get a couple of hits. Ultimately, we’ll see what happens with him, and we’ll hope to get him back as soon as we can.”

Washington is right up against the \$81.5 million salary cap ceiling and has the minimum of 18 healthy skaters on the roster. Because of that, coach Todd Reirden said there would be some roster moves to make sure his team has a full lineup in New York.

“We’re really trying to find every possible option to stay away from playing short,” Reirden said. “That may happen one day, too, but certainly trying to find every

way possible. We want to give ourselves the best chance we can, and that’s to have a full complement of players.”

Winger Carl Hagelin has missed six games with an undisclosed upper body injury, and center Nic Dowd has missed the past three with a deep cut on his left hand. Hagelin skated in a no-contact jersey Tuesday, while Dowd remains out with an injury Reirden cryptically called “a little bit more serious than we anticipated.”

The Capitals could put Hagelin or Dowd on long-term injured list to save cap space, though that would necessitate either player missing a total of 10 games and 24 days.

The Ducks were angry at Hathaway for what they called disrespectful behavior but didn’t want to speculate what might happen next.

“I have no idea,” Gudbranson said. “I’ll trust the league with that.”

MLB

Milwaukee Brewers bringing back ball-in-glove logo in 2020

MILWAUKEE (AP) — The Brewers are bringing back the team’s iconic ball-in-glove logo next year.

Milwaukee unveiled its new uniform designs and logo on Monday night at Miller Park. Starting in

2020, players will wear a modernized version of the ball-in-glove image first introduced in 1978 and worn until 1993.

A “M” and the “B” are linked above the glove’s webbing. The ball features two vertical seams,

making it look more authentic.

Milwaukee will have two sets of uniforms at home and on the road. The primary home uniform features a cream color — a nod to Milwaukee’s nickname as “Cream City” for its cream-colored bricks

— with a slightly curved “BREWERS” across the jersey.

A 50th anniversary sleeve patch will commemorate the team’s half-century in Milwaukee after launching as the Seattle Pilots in 1969 and then moving.

Patron is bruised and battered in altercation with waitress

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were getting ready to leave after dinner at a restaurant we’ve patronized for 15 years. I went to the ladies’ room and was washing my hands when a waitress I don’t care for came barging in, got in my face and started yelling at me. I tried to leave, but she wouldn’t let me out of the restroom. I asked her several times to let me out, and she kept telling me no. When she finally let me go, I told the man in charge what she did. My husband called him later, but the manager believed the waitress, who said that I started it. Another waitress who calls me her “sister” didn’t answer the texts I sent her. I am very hurt that she ignored me. Clearly, she believes the waitress, too. The restroom encounter left red marks all over my arm, but the manager didn’t care. The offender has left town and moved out of state. I’m 74 and was tempted to go to the police but didn’t. Now I wish I had pressed charges. Should I have? – Beaten Up In California

Dear Abby



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DEAR BEATEN UP: There is probably more to this story than what you have written, but yes, you should have notified the police. You were assaulted and falsely imprisoned in that restroom. Had you contacted the police and gone to an emergency room about the marks on your arm, you would have had proof about what the woman did to you.

DEAR ABBY: My older sister has just been diagnosed with cervical cancer. The HPV vaccine might have protected her from it, had it been available to our generation.

A few of us were out to lunch recently, and when I asked a younger sister if her granddaughter had received the vaccine, she went off on me like I had asked something terrible. Do you think I was wrong for asking? I have grandkids and would not be offended if someone asked me that question. – Concerned Sister

DEAR CONCERNED SISTER: If you and the younger sister are close, then I don’t think your question was offensive. However, if you are not, because it was asked in front of friends, she may have interpreted it as an implication that her granddaughter – who is, of course, pure as the driven snow – is sexually active, which made her defensive.

DEAR ABBY: My husband of more than 20 years just purchased plane tickets to India. It’s a 24-hour trip from the USA. My problem is, he is sitting in business class, while I’m in economy. We have plenty of money, but he simply doesn’t want to spend it. He’s older and has health concerns and mobility issues.

Am I right to feel hurt and consider his love of money may be stronger than his love for me? Or should I be content and happy I’m going to a beautiful country? – Feeling Like Second Rate

DEAR FEELING: Of course you should be happy that you will be visiting a beautiful country. Content, not so much. You have a right to be upset at your penny-pinching husband for providing less-comfortable accommodations for you than he has arranged for himself on that long flight. Upgrade your seat! You have a right to put your foot down and make clear that the two of you either sit together or he’ll be sitting first-class in the doghouse.

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ACROSS

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- 6 Running in neutral
- 12 Flashy car
- 14 Type of doll
- 15 Unit
- 16 Large lizard
- 17 Give — break
- 18 Poetic contraction
- 19 Take a snooze
- 21 ABC rival
- 23 Bit of paint
- 26 Mr. Brynner
- 27 “Ulalume” poet
- 28 Monet contemporary
- 30 And so on
- 31 Whichever
- 32 Honshu port
- 33 In the midst of
- 35 Taunting cry
- 37 Half a score
- 38 Variety show

39 Name, to Pierre

- 40 Hundreds of mins.
- 41 Hair-styling goo
- 42 Asner and Sullivan
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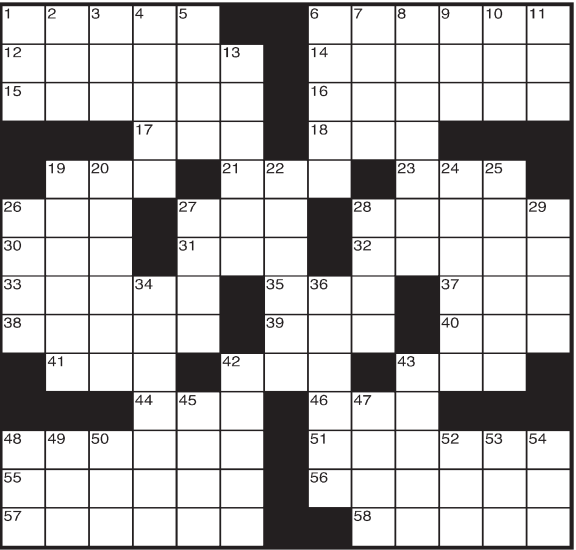
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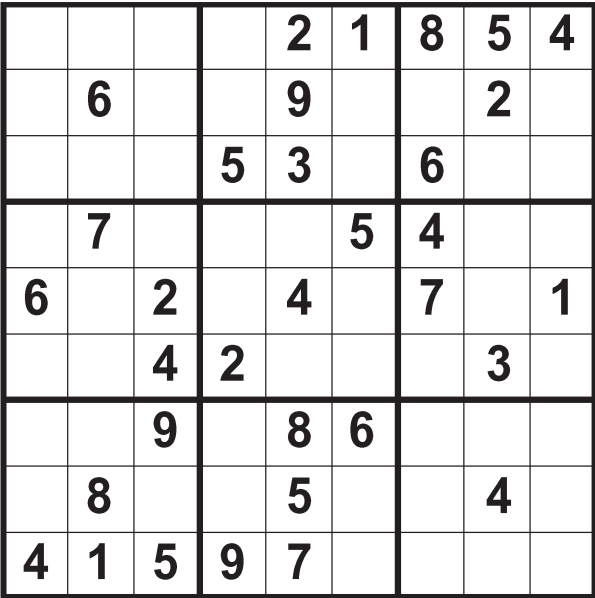
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- 49 Cat’s prey
- 50 All —
- 52 Timespan
- 53 Foot-pound relative
- 54 Change color



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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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Yesterday’s

Jumbles: FILLY TWINE FORGOT TEACUP

Answer: The experience of using his first battery-operated toothbrush was — ELECTRIFYING

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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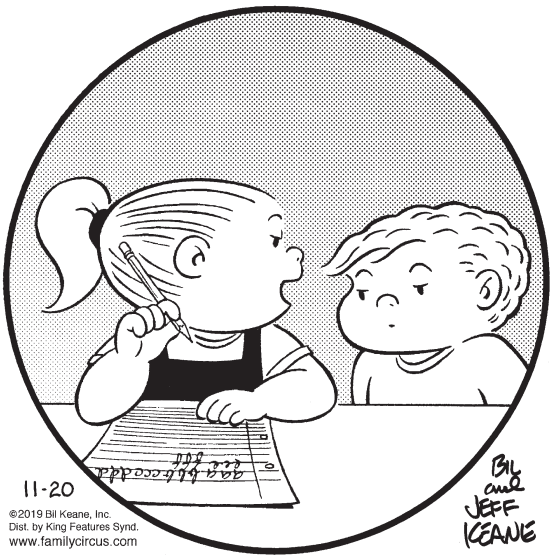
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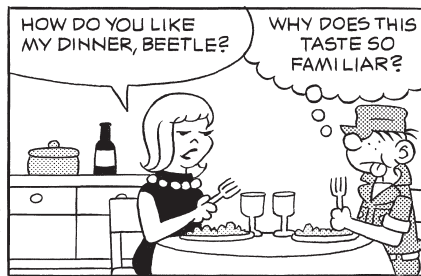
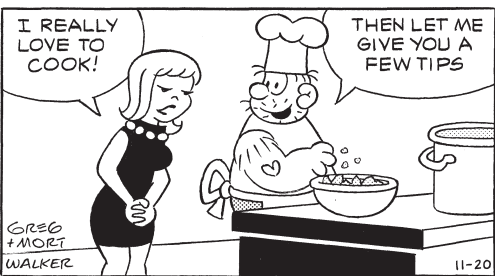
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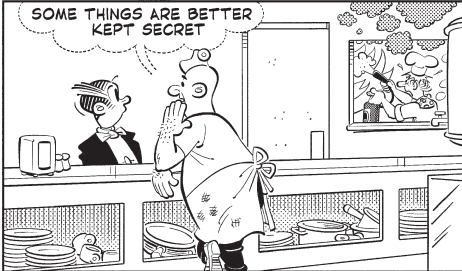
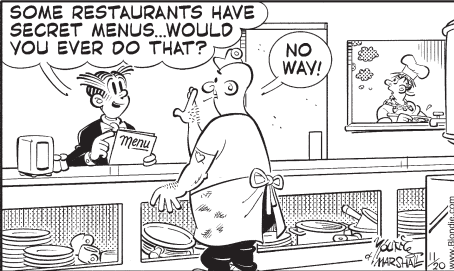
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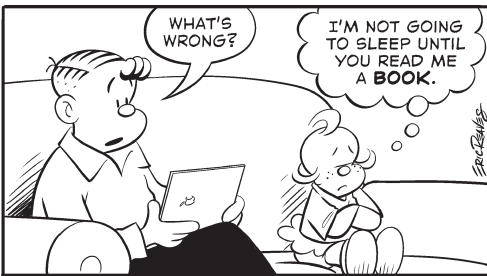
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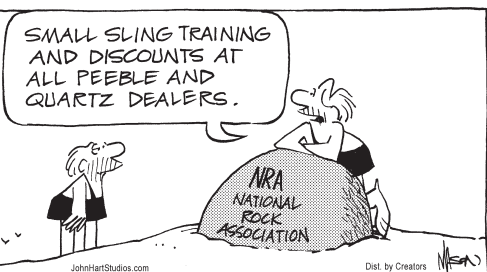
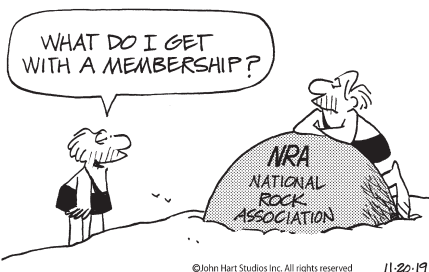
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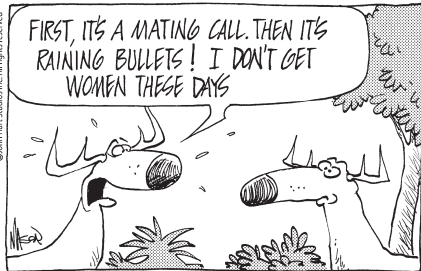
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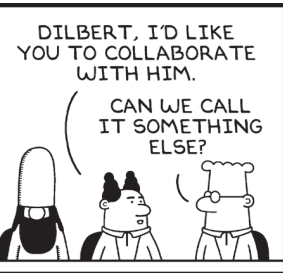
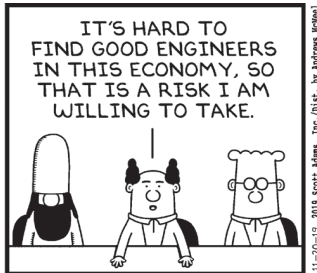
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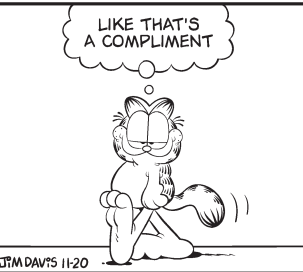
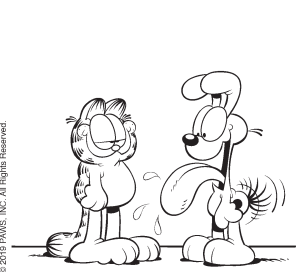
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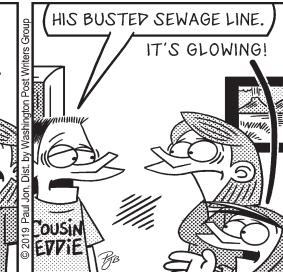
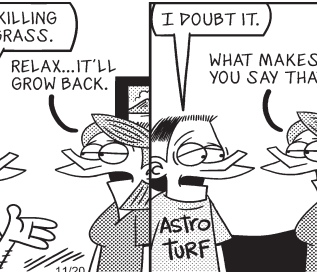
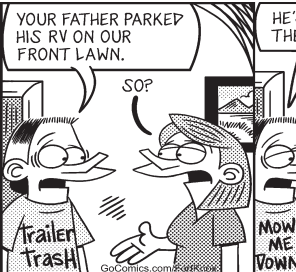
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Our goal should be to reflect Christ in all that we do

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

Q: Is it true that anger can be justified in some cases; if so, is there a good example in the culture today? – A.J.

A: When we see children abused, we should speak out and pray that righteous anger will lead to solutions to protect the helpless.

We must be careful, however, that our anger is not a cover for lovelessness or self-righteousness. Anger and bitterness (as well as hatred, jealousy, and resentment) aren’t identical, but they are closely related. Bitterness is anger gone sour, an attitude of deep discontent that poisons our souls and destroys our peace.

God’s anger is always just. Even His anger is righteous, because it is directed solely

against evil. Jesus forcefully drove out from the temple those who were callously making money (Matthew 21:12-13).

Peter’s anger was channeled into boldness for Christ. Paul’s anger against Christians was replaced with a burning passion to spread the Gospel. Our goal should be to reflect Christ in all that we do. As Christians we have an obligation to show others what God says about being responsible for our moral actions, as God defines them. We must never think that we

can solve one moral crisis by condoning another.

While we strive to live as Jesus would have us live, He will help us direct our emotions. The heart is the center of our emotions and the seat of decisive action. Our emotions can lie to us, and we need to check our emotions against the Word of God. His truth does not differ from one age to another, from one people to another, or from one geographical location to another. His great all-prevailing truth stands for time and eternity.

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ T O B S K B I V P R A N C R - X R R E T S Y ,

O B X T S Y - N E - R B Z C G , O B C C R K -

V B Z Z G T S Y , S U S - L R C V Z U - I P U R -

O R B Z T S Y D B S . ” — D T S A G X B C T S Y

Previous Solution: “I just love playing characters and getting paid for it, and that’s what I want to do till the day I die.” — Rainn Wilson

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Epstein jail guards charged with falsifying records

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO, LARRY NEUMEISTER and TOM HAYS
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Two jail guards responsible for monitoring Jeffrey Epstein the night he killed himself were charged Tuesday with falsifying prison records to conceal they were sleeping and browsing the internet during the hours they were supposed to be keeping a close watch on prisoners.

Guards Tova Noel and Michael Thomas were accused in a grand jury indictment of neglecting their duties by failing to check on Epstein for nearly eight hours, and of fabricating log entries to show they had been making checks every 30 minutes, as required.

Prosecutors allege that instead of making required rounds, the guards sat at their desks just 15 feet from Epstein’s cell, browsed the internet for furniture and motorcycles, and walked around the unit’s common area. During one two-hour period, the indictment said, both appeared to have been asleep.

The charges against the officers are the first in connection with the wealthy financier’s death in August at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York, where he had been awaiting trial on sex trafficking charges.

The city’s medical examiner ruled Epstein’s death a suicide even as conspiracy theories arose, with some questioning how he could die in such a secure setting. Dr. Michael Baden, the forensic pathologist hired by Epstein’s family to observe his autopsy, recently suggested some of Epstein’s injuries were more consistent with homicide rather than suicide, though other experts disputed that.

Baden said Tuesday the arrested officers could have information that’s “going to be critical in determining whether it’s homicide or suicide.”

Kathleen Hawk Sawyer, the new director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, told the Senate Judiciary Committee on Tuesday there is “no evidence to suggest” anything other than suicide. The indictment was rich in detail to support that position, including repeated references to jailhouse video in which they cited surveillance cameras confirming that no one else entered the area Epstein was housed.

In a release, U.S. Attorney Geoffrey S. Berman blamed the guards for Epstein’s death.

“As alleged, the defendants had a duty to ensure the safety and security of federal inmates in their care at the Metropolitan Correctional Center. Instead, they repeatedly failed to conduct mandated checks on inmates, and lied on official forms to hide their dereliction,” he said.

A lawyer for Thomas, Montell Figgins, said both guards are being “scapegoated.”

“We feel this is a rush to judgment by the U.S. attorney’s office,” he said. “They’re going after the low man on the totem pole here.”

Both correctional officers were in federal custody pending a Tuesday afternoon court appearance. Noel’s lawyer didn’t immediately return a phone message.

Marc Fernich, a lawyer for Epstein, said: “It would be a shame if minor scapegoats – classic low-hanging fruit, the softest targets – were made to take the fall for this tragedy on what amounts to a coverup theory. Unless it prompts genuine self-

reflection from all major participants and stakeholders in our criminal justice system and those who cover it, Mr. Epstein’s death in federal custody – senseless and sad as it is – will have been entirely for naught.”

Epstein’s death was a major embarrassment for the U.S. Bureau of Prisons.

The cell where he died was in a high-security unit, famous for having held terrorists and drug cartel kingpins. Epstein’s death, though, revealed the jail was suffering from problems including chronic staffing shortages that lead to mandatory overtime for guards day after day and other staff being pressed into service as correctional officers.

Attorney General William Barr had previously said investigators found “serious irregularities” at the jail and the FBI’s investigation had been slowed because some witnesses were uncooperative.

Epstein had been placed on suicide watch after he was found July 23 on the floor of his cell with a strip of bedsheet around his neck, according to an indictment that provided new details about Epstein’s final days.

The indictment said Thomas was among the officers who found Epstein that day. Epstein remained under strict suicide watch for 24 hours before he was moved until July 30 to a less restrictive psychological observation in the facility’s hospital wing, where he remained under 24-hour watch.

Once moved back to a cell on July 30, Epstein was required to have a cellmate but he was left with none after his cellmate was transferred out of the MCC on Aug. 9, two days before he died, the indictment said.

Prosecutors had wanted

the guards to admit they falsified the prison records as part of a plea offer that they rejected, according to people familiar with the matter. They spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not permitted to publicly discuss the investigation.

The indictment said Noel confessed to a supervisor after Epstein was found unresponsive in his cell when they went to deliver breakfast to inmates that “we did not complete the 3 a.m. nor 5 a.m. rounds.”

According to the indictment, Thomas said: “We messed up.” And then added, “I messed up, she’s not to blame, we didn’t do any rounds.”

Federal prosecutors had subpoenaed up to 20 staff members at the jail in August. The case was a top priority for the Justice Department. Both Barr and Deputy Attorney General Jeffrey Rosen received regular updates.

Falsification of records has been a problem throughout the federal prison system.

Sawyer, who was named director of the Bureau of Prisons after Epstein’s death, disclosed in an internal memo earlier this month that a review of operations across the agency found some staff members failed to perform required rounds and inmate counts but logged that they had done so anyway. A copy of the memo was obtained by the AP.

Epstein’s death ended the possibility of a trial that would have involved prominent figures and sparked widespread anger that he wouldn’t have to answer for the allegations.

He had pleaded not guilty and was preparing to argue that he could not be charged because of a 2008 deal he made to avoid federal prosecution on similar allegations.

Therapist broke rules with Iowa sex predator

BY RYAN J. FOLEY
Associated Press

IOWA CITY, Iowa — A psychologist in charge of treating Iowa’s most dangerous sex offenders violated policies by developing an improperly close relationship with a violent predator who became obsessed with her, The Associated Press has learned.

Shannon Smith Sanders, who directed the treatment program at the Civil Commitment Unit for Sex Offenders in Cherokee, committed boundary violations and did special favors for the patient, according to a Sept. 16 termination letter obtained under Iowa’s open records law.

Sanders shared secrets with the patient, did not apply the institution’s rules to him and lied to protect him, the letter said. She also failed to report that the patient was having personal feelings for her.

Those actions created potential security problems for the institution, which houses about 120 sexually violent predators who have been ordered by the courts to be locked up for treatment following completion of their prison terms.

The letter did not identify the patient. But attorney Jason Dunn told the AP that it was his client, Jeffrey Goodwin, who has been locked up since committing a 1988 sexual assault in Keokuk. In custody, Goodwin has a record of expressing sexually violent fantasies and threats toward female guards and assaulting other patients and staff.

Dunn alleged that Sanders encouraged Goodwin, 55, to masturbate in front of her and that they watched pornography together at least once. He said Goodwin grabbed her buttocks a couple times and that they developed an “emotional affair” that included sexual discussions. He said his client frequently sent Sanders notes written in code.

“She had Jeff so wound up that he was willing to kill himself or someone else if he dishonored her or someone else dishonored her,” Dunn said in an interview. “He was really going crazy.”

The Iowa Department of Human Services, which operates the program, allowed Sanders to resign in lieu of termination after a three-month investigation into the complaint, documents show.

Sanders, 38, declined to comment about the investigation’s findings or Dunn’s allegations.

Dunn recently asked the FBI to investigate, saying the relationship may have violated an Iowa law bar-

ring therapists from sexually exploiting their patients. He said Goodwin intends to pursue a lawsuit.

The Cherokee Police Department is investigating “claims that have been brought to our attention,” according to police Chief Nate James, who declined to elaborate.

Sanders may avoid other professional consequences. Psychologists who work for government agencies in Iowa are exempt from licensing requirements, which means she cannot face investigation or public discipline from the Iowa Board of Psychology.

Dunn said he fears that Sanders will not be held accountable and that she could get another job at a similar facility.

Goodwin filed his complaint against Sanders in June after coming to believe that he was being manipulated by the psychologist, who told him she would deny everything to protect herself if they were caught, Dunn said.

Their relationship developed this year after Goodwin returned to the program following completion of a prison sentence at the Anamosa State Penitentiary.

He has been in and out of the treatment program for most of its 20-year existence. The Iowa Supreme Court in 2004 upheld a jury’s ruling that Goodwin is a sexually violent predator who needs to be committed for treatment for sexual sadism, exhibitionism and anti-social personality disorder.

Sanders had been the program’s treatment director for four years after previously working at a state hospital in Kansas, earning nearly \$98,000 last year, records show.

The investigation revealed “boundary/security issues” that she failed to report, violating numerous program and department policies, according to the termination letter signed by DHS administrator Rick Schults. Sanders refused to sign the letter and resigned immediately.

Her husband also worked for DHS at the Cherokee Mental Health Institute, which houses the treatment program. Trevor Sanders was in charge of overseeing surveillance cameras and other electronic security systems. It’s unclear whether any video of his wife’s alleged misconduct exists.

Trevor Sanders also recently left his state job, and the couple’s Cherokee home is listed for sale. Shannon Sanders would not say whether they have moved.

“I don’t want anyone to know my whereabouts, for obvious reasons,” she said.

Deadly attack leaves California Hmong community in shock

BY TERENCE CHEA and OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ
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FRESNO, Calif. — A close-knit Hmong community was in shock after gunmen burst into a California backyard gathering and shot 10 men, killing four.

“We are right now just trying to figure out what to do, what are the next steps. How do we heal, how do we know what’s going on,” said Bobby Bliatout, a community leader.

Sunday evening’s attack killed Xy Lee, a Hmong singer and musician whose videos on YouTube have been viewed millions of times.

Also killed were Phia Vang, 31; Kou Xiong, 38; and Kalaxang Thao, 40, all of Fresno, according to the coroner’s office. Three others remained hospitalized in serious condition, Community Regional Medical Center said in a statement.

Police have not determined a motive and no suspects were identified.

“Our community is in mourning, and we still don’t know what’s going on, or who are the suspects,” said Pao Yang, CEO of the Fresno Center, a Hmong community group.

Relatives and friends set a table with photos of the victims, incense, and white candles outside the house and

held a vigil Monday evening.

“I’m sad to know my Hmong family has suffered one more time,” said a sobbing Paula Yang, a friend of the homeowner, whose brother, Kou Xiong, died in the attack.

“We need the community to come together,” she said, the Fresno Bee reported.

The Hmong are an ethnic group from Southeast Asia. Many fled after fighting alongside the United States during the Vietnam War.

There are about 300,000 Hmong living in the U.S., according to the 2017 American Community Survey by the U.S. Census. California has the nation’s largest Hmong population and about 25,000 live in Fresno, comprising about 5 percent of the city’s population of 525,000.

The gunmen targeted a house where about 16 men had gathered outside to watch football on television, police said.

At least two men armed with semi-automatic handguns walked through a side gate and began firing randomly into the crowd before fleeing in the darkness, Police Chief Andrew Hall said.

The shooters did not speak, and no one reported getting a good look at them. Witnesses saw only flashes when the pistols were fired, Hall said.

Muted launch for Google’s game-streaming service Stadia

BY MAE ANDERSON
AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK — Google’s new game-streaming service Stadia demonstrates the possibilities of gaming from the cloud, but experts say it’s hindered by a lack of compelling video games and a convoluted pricing scheme.

Piers Harding-Rolls, head of games research at IHS Markit, called Tuesday’s launch more of a public beta test than an actual debut. He said the real test will come next year, when Stadia begins to compete with new video game consoles due out from Sony and Microsoft.

“It is not at the moment a challenger to console companies or PC gaming,” he said. “At this stage it is really about getting the product into market and into hands of consumers.”

Google can learn from that and fine-tune the service as it grows and competition intensifies, he said.

Much like movies and music, the traditional video-game industry has been shifting from physical hardware and games to digital downloads and streaming. Such an approach lets gamers play from a variety of devices, picking up where they left off as they switch, without having to buy expensive equipment.

Tech companies such as Google are trying to establish a foothold early – even with some kinks – before streaming becomes as established in gaming as Netflix is in video and Spotify in music.

The benefits go beyond subscription revenue. While Stadia itself won’t

have ads. Google will try to tie Stadia with its other services, like YouTube and its digital assistant. Ultimately, as more people use Google services, the company can collect more data on user habits and show more ads targeted to those interests.

But these tech companies have to compete with gaming stalwarts Sony and Microsoft, both of which have streaming ambitions of their own. Unlike Google, they also have decades of experience negotiating with game publishers and navigating the gaming industry.

Microsoft’s \$10-a-month Xbox Game Pass lets players download more than 100 games on the Xbox console at no additional cost. The company is also working on a streaming service, Project xCloud, though few details are available. Sony’s PlayStation Now, also at \$10 a month, or \$60 a year, lets users stream or download games on its PlayStation 4 console or a personal computer.

Stadia, on the other hand, isn’t meant for the console. But it requires a PC with Google’s Chrome browser or a Google-made device – a Chromebook laptop, a Chromecast TV streaming device or a Pixel phone. It won’t work with other phones using the company’s Android operating system, or on iPhones, for now.

The service will eventually cost \$10 a month, but it’s currently available only to those who bought a \$130 bundle that includes a three-month subscriptions. The service currently offers 22 games – most

carrying a separate fee. For example, the adventure game “Red Dead Redemption 2” starts at \$60.

Apple is also getting into the game-subscription business with Apple Arcade. The \$5-a-month service lets users download a variety of games to play on iPhones and iPads. Games don’t cost extra. Apple Arcade lets people download games to play offline, but Stadia does not.

Google is competing on this front, too, with a separate subscription called Google Play Pass. The \$5-a-month service gives users access to about 350 games and apps on Android devices.

Video game streaming typically requires a strong connection and more computing power than simply streaming video, as there is real-time interaction between player and game. Google says it is tapping its massive data centers to power the system.

From a technological front, Stadia impresses, said Randy Nelson, head of mobile insights at analytic firm Sensor Tower.

But elsewhere, Stadia falls short. He said there is a disconnect between the hard-core gaming audience that Google appears to be targeting, and the few compelling games actually available.

“Gylt,” a fantasy horror adventure game, is the service’s only new exclusive title. Other games available at launch include “Shadow of the Tomb Raider,” “Mortal Kombat,” “Just Dance 2020” and “Destiny 2” – but all of these are available on other game platforms, too.

“It does seem to be a bit



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